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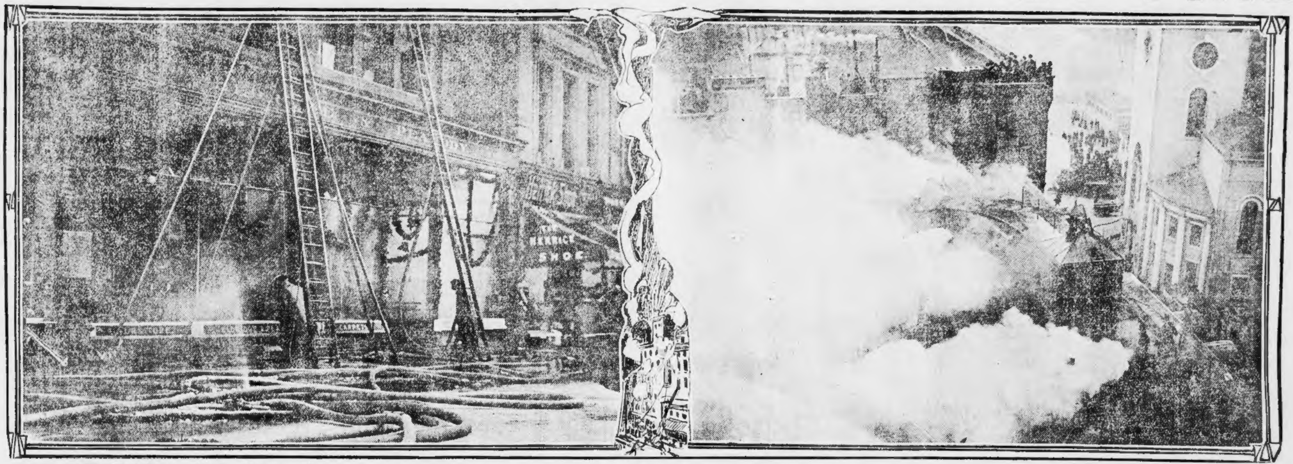
HEROIC WORK SAVES GREAT BUSINESS BLOCK IN $350,000 TREMONT STREET FIRE



SCENES AT BIG FIRE, INCLUDING REMARKABLE VIEW OF STUDIO BUILDING ROOF.
BY BOSTON AMERICAN STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER.

View Showing Damage Done at Eldridge & Peabody Furniture Store. Roof of Destroyed Building, from Top of Paddock Building.

REPORT BARES ABUSE OF POWER BY RAILROADS

INTERSTATE COMMISSION DEMANDS MORE CARS AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—A startling indictment of the railroads of the country, and exposure of their abuse of power by which the public at large, and business interests in particular, are made to suffer many hardships, even to the extent of almost criminal negligence endangering the lives of persons who travel, are the features of the twentieth annual report of the Interstate Commerce Commission sent to Congress to-day. In the face of it all, the commission deplores its impotency to remedy the many evils discovered.

Stress is laid upon the inability of the shippers of the United States to obtain cars in which to transport their products. In this respect, the manufacturers of New England have been great sufferers, the commission points out, while the western sections of the country are without actual necessities, principally coal, in the present intensely cold weather, as the result of this so-called "car famine."

Menace to Public Safety.

The safety of the travelling public is endangered by the extensive employment of young and inexperienced men, and the long hours that railroad employes generally are required to work. The increased number of railroad accidents in the past year, the commission states, can be traced to this deplorable condition. Drastic laws are recommended to place the responsibility for these accidents and to remedy the conditions under which railroad men are employed.

Complaint is made regarding the complicated tariffs filed by the various railroads. So many of them have been "Chinese puzzles" to the commission that steps have been taken to compel the roads to prepare their rate schedules or tariffs in a uniform manner.

Altogether, the commission holds that the country is at the mercy of the railroads under present conditions; that while evils and abuses in untold number have been discovered the commission, through lack of power, has had to remain passive while they continued.

Famine in Cars.

"The inability of shippers to procure cars for the movement of their traffic," says the report, "is the subject of numerous and grievous complaints which come to the commission from all parts of the country. A car famine prevails, which brings distress in almost every section, and in some localities amounts to a calamity.

"The commission finds the railroads guilty of employing many young and inexperienced persons and of working its men unduly long hours. In the matter of long hours, indeed, it says that conditions have grown worse.

"The tremendous increase in the volume of freight traffic has put a severe strain upon employes," says the commission, "and this has often been made the justification of or excuse for working men unduly long hours and has led to the employment of many young and inexperienced persons. In the matter of long hours the accident reports have shown instances of even worse conditions than existed in former years.

Urge Wider Scope of Law.

"Experience has demonstrated the need for an amendment to the law placing all appliances included in the master car builder's standards for the protection of trainmen under the regulation of law, such as sill steps, ladders and roof handholds. Penalty defects are well looked after and properly repaired, but appliances not covered by the law are not infrequently allowed to pass in a defective condition. It is only by placing all these appliances in the same category that their safe and serviceable condition can be insisted upon at all times.

Puzzling Tariff Schedules.

The commission had some difficulty in making out just what was meant by some of the tariff schedules filed with it. It appears to have been something like becoming acquainted with the average time table.

"Prior to the passage of the amending act, for several years," it says, "the average number of tariffs filed daily was about 450, including both freight and passenger tariffs, but from August 1, 1906, up to and including November 30, the average number of tariffs filed daily has been 964. On August 27, the day before the amended law became effective, the number of schedules received for filing was 5,587, of which 4,975 were freight and 612 were passenger tariffs.

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TRY IT!

Studio Building Burned Out, but Firemen by Desperate Work Save Other Places Imperilled by Flames—Orpheum Theatre in Danger for Time, Escaped Damage Through Foresight of Chief McDonough.

One fireman was seriously and possibly fatally injured, several were overcome by smoke and fire, and many narrowly escaped death to-day in a four-alarm fire that destroyed the Studio building at Tremont and Bromfield streets, entailing a loss of $350,000.

The first alarm was rung in at 7:40 o'clock, and the all-out signal was not sounded until 12:55 p. m.

Theatre and Church in Danger.

At one time the roaring blaze threatened the Orpheum Theatre, which escaped unscathed, and the Bromfield Street Methodist Episcopal Church, as well as many other buildings in the neighborhood. Great excitement was caused in the crowded shopping district.

Because of the extreme cold and the old-fashioned architecture of the Studio Building, the fire was one of the most difficult that the department has had to cope with in years. An overheated furnace is given as the cause of the blaze.

MANY FIREMEN OVERCOME.

Captain Joy of Combination 28-29, overcome by smoke, was hurried away to the Emergency Hospital in a critical condition. Many other firemen, similarly but not so completely overcome, went back into the fire again after a rest. Not all of these cases were reported, but among them were Frank Rafferty and John Gerrish of Engine 25, Peter Browning of Ladder 7 and Hoseman Frank McCarthy of Engine 8.

A citizen, as yet unidentified, went to the Relief Hospital with his head and arms badly cut and his leg probably broken. He had fallen in the Studio Building after having ventured beyond the police lines.

Chief Mullen and six men of Engine 8 had a narrow escape from death in a fiery furnace. They were standing on the roof of the Studio Building when a portion of it toppled in. Lieutenant O'Brien and two men of Engine 1 were almost thrown into the fire by the bursting of hose.

FURNITURE STORE LOSS $100,000

The fire started in the rear of the Eldredge & Peabody furniture store at No. 116 Tremont street soon after 7:30 o'clock. The furniture house was practically wiped out. Here the loss was roughly estimated at $100,000.

The Studio building, running from Nos. 114 to 116 Tremont street, across the way from the Granary burial ground, and from Nos. 52 to 58 Bromfield street, was one of the oldest in that section of the city. It was of a dull, painted-gray brick. Chief Mullen called it one of the most difficult in all the city for a fight against fire, largely because of its winding stairways.

MADE TERRIFIC HEADWAY.

On this account and because the blaze started at the rear of the building, having to be reached through an alley from Bromfield street, the fire had made terrific headway almost before the department realized what it was up against.

Huddled against the walls and on the fire escapes of the Orpheum Theatre, where the intense heat was oven-like, the fire-fighters held on like grim death and made a winning fight against what seemed at first insurmountable obstacles.

The first alarm was sounded at 7:40 o'clock, a second at 7:50, the third at 8:10 and the fourth at 8:46 o'clock. A little later there was talk of a fifth. Then the tide of battle turned.

250 POLICEMEN ON DUTY.

Two hundred and fifty policemen were turned into the fire district, which, close to the Park street entrance to the subway, is one of the busiest and most congested in the city. Pretty much the entire fire department in the city proper was on hand.

In the Studio Building the principal losers are several of Boston's most celebrated artists, and their studios, together with many valuable paintings, some of them just completed for patrons at Christmas, was destroyed. Among these occupants were:

W. H. Arnold, dentist; H. Mitchell, engraver; J. J. Frazer, tailor; G. W. Seavey, artist; E. H. Gerrish, artist; W. D. Slade, artist; Max Berenson, engraver; J. B. Thomas, dressmaker; J. F. Reynolds, artist; G. W. Lowry, artist; B. H. Vose, engraver; J. E. Frost and C. P. Lewis, brokers; Hub Engraving Company and the Boston Magazine Company.

In the studio of E. H. Gerrish many paintings were on the easels. Several of them were receiving finishing touches. One

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THE RESULTS OF TO-DAY'S BIG FIRE

Building destroyed—The Studio, Bromfield and Tremont streets.
Estimated losses—On building, $100,000; to occupants, $250,000.
Cause—An overheated furnace.
Injured—Captain Joy, Combination 28-29, seriously; Firemen Frank McCarthy, Frank Rafferty, John Gerrish, Peter Browning and others, overcome by smoke; unidentified man, leg probably broken.
Building owned by Frederick R. Sears.

FACE DEATH PERIL ON ROOF OF BUILDING

The early fear that some firemen might have lost their lives in to-day's big fire arose from their positions of danger when the roof of the Studio building fell in. On the south side of the roof, just before it fell, were Chief Mullen and six men from Engine Company 8. These men were Captain McLean, Lieutenant Grant and Hosemen Skinner, Byght, Dorsey and Powell.

Without warning part of the roof went down. Skinner and Byght were standing near the edge of the cave-in holding a hose nozzle. Dorsey made a successful grab at both of them and pulled them back out of danger. Then all seven made their way to a place of safety.

But, while they were fighting the flames before the roof went down, they had noticed another group on the opposite side of the roof, fighting from that standpoint. After the cave-in these men were not seen. They presumably scrambled to safety, as Chief Mullen and the Engine 8 men did.

While directing the firemen on the roof of the Pratt building, Lieutenant O'Brien and Hosemen Andrioli and Buckley of Engine 1 had a narrow escape from death. The lieutenant was stooping over the coping of the building, which overhangs the Studio building, at that time a mass of flame. Behind him were the two hosemen, directing a heavy stream to points the lieutenant indicated.

Suddenly, the hose burst, and the nozzle swung around, striking O'Brien and throwing him to the very edge of the coping. He struggled, and was in danger of toppling over into the flames. A shout of horror went up from a great crowd below in the street.

Quick as thought, Andrioli and Buckley dropped the nozzle and jumped to the aid of O'Brien. They grabbed the lieutenant by his feet and legs just as he seemed about to fall and dragged him back to safety.

Then they signalled for help and the stream was turned off and a new line of hose sent up. All three pluckily refused to desert their dangerous post. They went to work again as though nothing unusual had happened.

ORPHEUM THEATRE IS NOT DAMAGED; MATINEE AS USUAL.

Mr. David L. Robinson, manager of the Orpheum Theatre, when seen by a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter, said in regard to the report that the theatre had been damaged:

"There is absolutely no truth in the report that the Orpheum Theatre was in any way damaged by the fire. We intend to hold a matinee, just as usual, this afternoon, and you can see for yourself that the box office is open and ready for business. Not even a sign nor smell of smoke has entered the auditorium. In the back of the stage a few drops of water may have been sprayed by the firemen, while forcing a stream into the fire itself, but we have suffered no smoke or fire damage and the performance will be given this fternon as though there had been on fire near the theatre at all."

STOCKS IN BIG SLUMP; "RICH MAN'S PANIC"

WALL STREET IN GRIP OF TIGHT MONEY, AND LOSSES RUN TO MILLIONS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Throttled in the grip of a tight money squeeze, stocks are slumping in Wall street to-day and a virtual "rich man's" panic is in progress. Millions have already been lost in the six-day crash which has forced many traders to the wall.

With call money at 25 per cent. and no relief in sight, pools threw over thousands of shares to-day to lighten the burden. The Vanderbilts and J. P. Morgan rushed to the aid of the situation by announcing at noon that all interest payments on all of the funded debt of the Vanderbilt systems due on January 1 would be paid at once. The Standard Oil crowd is reported on the floor of the stock exchange to have taken advantage of the situation to pound the market and bring out loosely held stock.

Slump Gathered Momentum.

With the announcement of the $100,000,000 stock issue of St. Paul, traders and pool operators rushed to get from under. Call money was ruling about twenty per cent., and the announcement that $10,000,000 must be paid on St. Paul stock before the end of the year blasted all hope of monetary relief. Staggering under loads of kited stocks with money at a high rate, pools started to throw their holdings overboard. The slump gathered momentum to-day after an early effort to hold up the market by large purchases of Reading.

St. Paul was weak to the point of panic all day. With a loss of ten points yesterday it fell off again this afternoon. Great Northern and Northern Pacific were under fire and lost several points. The Hill stocks have been under attack from bear operators for over a week and to-day showed losses of thirty-eight points in Great Northern and twenty-five points in Northern Pacific, compared to the closing prices last Wednesday.

Forced to Sell Out.

The Stock Exchange floor was a seething mob of excited traders all day to-day. Stocks were tossed by the board without regard to price, and only short covering served to stay the precipitant decline. Standard Oil interests had evidently withdrawn all support to their specialties and were said to be pounding the whole list.

Stock Exchange houses with out-of-town connections, reported that hundreds of traders throughout the country, unable to meet the calls for margins, were forced to sell out and pocket losses reaching into the hundreds of thousands. Hundreds of Great Northern stocks were dumped overboard this afternoon and suffered a loss of six points during the day.

THE WEATHER.

Fair and warmer to-night and Thursday. Light, variable winds, becoming easterly to southerly.

High tide—1:34 a. m., 1:55 p. m.

Sun rises—7:09, sets 4:14.

Moon sets—8:53 p. m.

COMMISSION AROUSED BY FUEL FAMINE

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 19.—It was announced at the close of the hearing before the interstate commerce commissioners yesterday that the new information concerning the condition of the people in the section where the fuel famine prevails, as a result of the failure of the railroads to supply cars, showed things so much worse than had been presented in published reports that the commissioners were startled.

The commissioners have made direct investigations and have found that outbuildings have been torn down over wide stretches of country to obtain fuel to keep warm and that many farmers have even been obliged to sacrifice parts of their houses. All will have to be reconstructed and the money loss will be immense, while the loss on cattle that will perish on account of insufficient shelter will amount to millions.

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CAN'T THROW OFF HIS CARES.

The mucous coating of the stomach and intestines has lost its power of secreting the gastric juice (an important factor in digestion) the muscles of the middle coating are correspondingly lifeless in grinding up the food, and as a result the food lies in your stomach fermenting, poisoning the blood, irritating the nerves and breaking down the system.

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PRESIDENT IN MESSAGE HITS COLORED TROOPS

DENOUNCES CONDUCT OF SOLDIERS AT BROWNVILLE—BACKED BY TAFT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—In his message, transmitted to the Senate to-day, in reply to the Senate inquiry on the discharge of nearly all the soldiers of three colored companies of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, U. S. A., in the matter known as the Brownsville case, President Roosevelt declares vigorously that comrades of the soldiers concerned in the Brownsville murder and attempted murders combined to shelter the criminals from justice.

These comrades, says the message, did by their own action make it necessary to leave all the men, including the murderers, in the army, or turn them all out. The President says the question whether the troops or the Brownsville citizens were to blame is unimportant, as nothing offered any excuse for the "atrocious conduct of the troops." He declares every man in the army must feel obliged to discover and punish, not to shelter, the criminal in uniform.

In conclusion he denies the assertion that the colored troops were dealt with harshly, and declares it means ruin for the colored race to shield an evildoer merely because he is colored.

Taft Calls New Evidence Absurd.

Accompanying the message is a letter from Secretary of War Taft transmitting the data requested from the War Department and commenting on the alleged "new evidence" submitted by the secretary of the Constitution League of the United States. Secretary Taft says he has examined the new evidence and finds nothing to lead to a conclusion different from that in his own annual report. He styles as "grotesque and absurd" evidence intended to show that persons not in the battalion disguised themselves in castoff uniforms and perpetrated the riot and murder to discredit the troops. He upholds the right of the President to discharge without honor any soldier whose work has not been honest and faithful.

In his introductory paragraphs the President says, relative to the discharge:

"Precisely the same action would have been taken had the troops been white—indeed, the discharge would probably have been made in more summary fashion."

Reviews Story of Attack.

The message reviews the Brownsville outrages in detail, saying that from fifteen to twenty colored soldiers took part in the attack on the town.

"They leaped over the walls," says the message, "and hurried through the town. They shot at whomever they saw moving, and they shot into houses where they saw lights. The lieutenant of police heard the firing and rode toward it. He met the raiders, who, as he stated, were about fifteen colored soldiers. He turned and rode off, and they continued firing upon him until they had killed his horse. They shot him in the right arm. They shot in a saloon, killing a bartender and wounding another man. The evidence of all classes was conclusive to the effect that the raiders were negro soldiers."

Calls It Blackest of Crimes.

The President dwells on the absurdity of evidence offered to confute this testimony. He says a blacker crime "never stained the annals of our army," and then passes to the necessity for punishment and for the individual obligation of every officer and man not to shield the "criminal in uniform." Under this subject he says:

"Yet some of the non-commissioned officers and many of the men of the three companies in question have banded together in a conspiracy to protect the assassins and would-be assassins who have disgraced their uniform by the conduct above related. Many of these non-commissioned officers and men must have known, and all of them may have known, circumstances which would have led to the conviction of those engaged in the murderous assault. They have stolidly and as one man broken their oaths of enlistment and refused to help discover the criminals."

RUSSIAN POOR FACE FAMINE

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—Russian peasants are facing one of the worst famines that country has known during the last twenty years.

The wheat crop is 100,000,000 bushels short of the previous year's crop, and 130,000,000 bushels short of the crop of 1904. The rye crop is even more alarmingly small, while the corn crop has fallen 350,000,000 bushels lower than that of 1904. It is even smaller than the famine crop of 1897.

SAY U. S. TROOPS FIRED INTO CARS

Special to the Boston American.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 19.—Federal troops fired into a train near Fort Barrancas late last night after a quarrel with the conductor. The War Department has ordered an investigation.

One man refused to pay his fare, and when the conductor tried to eject him, some of his comrades aided him in resisting. The train was stopped and Chief of Police Frank arrested the man who started the trouble.

The others were quiet until the post was reached. As the train started back to the city several volleys were fired into it by men secreted along the track.

LOCOMOTIVE CUT OFF A BRAKEMAN'S HEAD

Joseph Porter, age forty-one, of No. 28 Concord street, Charlestown, a brakeman, was run over and killed to-day by a locomotive in the Boston & Maine railroad freight yard. His head was severed from the body.

$2,000,000 IN DEBT TO FIRM

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 19.—On application of the National Steel & Wire Company, with offices at No. 114 Liberty street, New York, a Maine corporation, a receiver was appointed to-day for the National Wire Corporation, which operated a large plant in this city for the manufacture of wire and wire goods of all kinds. Counsel for the New York company in their application stated that the local corporation was indebted to the National Steel & Wire Company upward of $2,000,000.

MADE TROLLEY CAR A HEARSE

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—A Fourteenth street car, as it neared the Manhattan end of the Williamsburg bridge, coming from Brooklyn during the midst of the rush hour to-day, was side-tracked, its passengers left slowly and silently, the blinds were all drawn down and it became an improvised hearse. A man, one of the passengers, had dropped dead on the way over the bridge.

The dead man was Samuel S. Figges, aged sixty, of No. 109 Rodney street, Williamsburg. He suddenly was seized with an attack of apoplexy and died.

MRS. J. I. CASE WEDS STANDARD OIL MAGNATE

Widow of Former "Harvester King" and Horse Owner Marries for Third Time.

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Jackson I. Case, widow of J. I. Case, the former millionaire head of the great threshing machine and plough works which bear his name, at Racine, Wis., and John W. Dalman of New York, millionaire and superintendent of the Standard Oil Company, were secretly married late yesterday at Trinity Episcopal Church. They leave to-day for Hot Springs, Va. The sudden wedding came as a surprise. Mr. Dalman, who has been married twice before, has four sons attending Eastern colleges. None of the young men was at the ceremony.

Mrs. Dalman, who has been a widow but a few years, was formerly married to a Mr. Whipple of Kalamazoo, Mich. The marriage was not a happy one, and separation and divorce followed. Later she married Jackson I. Case, who left her an estate valued at $10,000,000.

Mrs. Dalman is well known in New York and London society. It was in New York, a year ago, that she met her husband, while touring Central Park in an automobile.

J. I. Case, in addition to his business, developed the former pacing champion, Jay-Eye-See, the most popular little gelding the light harness world has ever known. In his will Mr. Case provided that Jay-Eye-See should receive the best of care in his declining years, and every provision has been carefully carried out by his widow. The little pacing hero now lives in the acme of equine luxury on the great Wisconsin farm, his only track appearance in recent years being an exhibition at Milwaukee that year, when 25,000 people cheered him as he "side-wheeled" a mile in 2:28. His world's record was 2:06¼.

'ODD BRUSHES' TO GIVE TEA

At the "Odd Brushes" exhibition to-morrow afternoon, in the rooms of the Art Club, Mrs. Carl Muck, Mrs. Lillian Shuman Dreyfus and Mrs. Hugo Munsterberg will pour tea. Miss Eleanor Clement, Miss Helen Monks, daughter of J. A. S. Monks, and Mrs. Walter Edelston will assist. Mr. and also Mrs. Arnold Dolmetsch will play on the clavicord and viola da gamba, assisted by C. W. Adams. The musical entertainment will be at 5 o'clock and the tea from 4 to 6.

DEATH CLAIMS BISHOP M'CABE

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Bishop Charles C. McCabe of the Methodist Episcopal Church died at 5:20 o'clock this morning. He was stricken with apoplexy while walking on the street last week and was taken to the New York Hospital, where he succumbed.

Bishop McCabe was in his seventy-first year. He was born at Athens, O. He served with an Ohio regiment throughout the Civil War, and was in Libby prison four months. His first pastorate was at Portsmouth, O. He was made a bishop in 1896.

IMPORTANT NEWS

Revised Hourly for Busy Readers.

FOREIGN.

THOUSANDS DIE IN CHINA FAMINE.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 19.—The famine in Kiangsu is growing and thousands are dying. Over 500,000 destitute persons are encamped at Trinkiansu and the suffering is intense.

WILL ERECT STATUE TO HENRY IRVING.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Theatrical people here have decided to erect a statue as a memorial to Sir Henry Irving. Subscriptions will be confined to members of the theatrical profession.

KRUPPS GET RUSSIAN CONTRACT.

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—The Krupps have received an order from Russia for warship material worth $5,500,000.

WASHINGTON.

MAY LOSE PAY IF ABSENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Senators and Representatives will lose pay for days they do not attend when Congress is in session if the bill introduced by Representative Gaines of Tennessee is passed.

TO EXPLAIN HUB'S HARBOR NEEDS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Major Burr, in charge of the engineering work at Boston appears before the Rivers subcommittee on New England river and harbor work tomorrow and to explain the needs of Boston harbor.

CHRISTMAS POSTAL CLERKS FOR HUB.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The postoffice department has made a large appropriation for the Christmas rush at the Boston postoffice and a small army of additional clerks and carriers will be employed from now until after Christmas.

GENERAL.

OPEN 3 CHINESE CITIES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—After January 14 the Chinese cities of Manchuria, Kirin and Harbin will be open to international trade.

NEW RUSSIAN ADMIRAL.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 19.—Vice-Admiral Doubassoff was made a full admiral to-day, in celebration of the name day of Czar Nicholas.

ASSIGN MAINE JUDGES.

BATH, Me., Dec. 19.—The following assignment of Maine Associate Judges for 1907 has been made: Justice A. M. Spear, first Tuesday in April; Justice William Penn Whitehouse, third Tuesday in August; Justice A. R. Savage, fourth Tuesday of December.

THE WAR ON GRAFT.

INDICT OHIO REBATERS.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 19.—Indictments containing 155 counts were returned yesterday by the Federal Grand Jury against the Ann Arbor Railway and the Toledo Ice & Coal Company for giving and accepting rebates on ice shipments.

FIRES.

OPERA HOUSE BURNED.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 19.—The Butler Opera House and adjoining buildings were destroyed by fire yesterday at a loss of $250,000.

POLITICAL.

DEMOCRATS ELECT LYMAN.

At the annual meeting of the Democratic Club of Massachusetts held yesterday, Arthur Lyman of Waltham was elected president.

BUSINESS NOTICE.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

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OPEN EVENINGS TILL CHRISTMAS

2000	White Sweaters for Ladies	Just received, and one of the greatest bargains recently offered. Would be cheap at $2.00 each. Sacrifice price.........	67c
1000	White Christmas Aprons	All styles, including bretelle and hamburg, with tucks and hemstitched trimmings. Would be cheap at 39c each. Sacrifice price..................	29c
682	Boys' 3-4 Length Reefers	Flannel lined, age 4 to 16 years. Would be cheap at $6.50. Sacrifice price........	3.98
898	Boys' Reefers, Overcoats, Suits	Either flannel or lasting lined. Suits and Overcoats up to the minute in style. Would be cheap at $4.50 each. Sacrifice price...	1.98
380	Ladies' Seasonable Hats	Great variety of shapes and colors, velvet flats, felt flats, velvet shapes, etc. Have sold all season at 75c and 98c each. Sacrifice price...............	25c
450 Pairs	Girls' School Arctics	With 2 buckles. Secure them before the next snow storm. Would be cheap at $1.50 a pair. Sacrifice price.........	98c
300 Pairs	Women's Worsted Bed Slippers	In several colors. Seasonable gift. Would be cheap at 75c a pair. Sacrifice price........	49c
200	Wrist Bags for Ladies	Fine quality of seal grain in black only, made in the popular carriage shape, gilt and gun metal finish, 8-inch covered frame, strong leather lining, with large change purse. Would be cheap at $2.50. Sacrifice price........	1.48
50	Chafing Dishes	Full copper, nickel plated, 3-pint size, best burner, long and short handles, dome shaped cover with beaded edge. These are cheap at $5.49 each. Sacrifice price....	4.49
72	Gas Lamps	Square columns, brush brass finish, black enamel, fitted with incandescent burner, a six-foot tubing and handsome green plated shades. Would be cheap at $3.83 each. Sacrifice price	2.69
425 Pieces	Christmas Holly Ribbon	The kind that is hard to get. All silk satin taffeta, one-half inch wide, white ground, handsome printed holly design, for tying up packages, etc, 10-yard pieces. Would be cheap at 65c a piece. Sacrifice price	38c
100	Silk Neck Scarfs for Ladies	Hemstitched, 23 inches wide, 2 yards long, printed in delicate colorings of blue, pink and lavender. Are cheap at $1.38 each. Sacrifice price...	98c
119 Boxes	Men's Imported Handkerchiefs	Fine Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, put up ½ dozen in handsome imported picture box. Cheap at 75c a box. Sacrifice price....	59c
200	Elegant Silk Umbrellas	Men's and women's high grade Silk Umbrellas, handles mounted with sterling silver and roll gold plated, close roll. Would be cheap at $5.00, or even at $6.00 each. Sacrifice price	3.98
175	Men's Robes and House Coats	High grade, pure wool Bath Robes and House Coats. Precisely the same qualities are selling today in Boston at $7.50 to $8.50. Sacrifice price........	6.98
125	John Dough and the Cherub	By L. Frank Baum, author of the "Wizard of Oz." $500 in prizes for the children who guess correctly the question asked in the book. 40 full-page colored pictures, 100 black and white pictures and lots of reading matter. Publishers' price $1.25. Sacrifice price	69c
2000	Tapestry Pillow Covers	Oriental stripe, 22-inch size, 10 choice color combinations. Would be cheap at 25c each. Sacrifice price...............	10c
375	Elegant Sofa Pillows	Figured tapestry, filled with silk floss, great variety of patterns. Would be cheap at 75c and 98c each. Sacrifice price.	49c
125	Handsome Smyrna Rugs	Reversible goods in Oriental and floral patterns, size 30x60. Would be cheap at $1.25 each. Sacrifice price on just 125....	79c

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KITTY NEILL, ARTIST'S MODEL, HAUNTED IN TOMBS CELL

Near a Mental Wreck as She Faces Trial in Puzzling Death Msytery

BODY TO BE EXHUMED IN NEILL TRAGEDY

Revenge for Talk of Bigamous Marriage Said to Have Been Motive.

WOULD WELCOME DEATH

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—While Mrs. Catherine Neill, the beautiful artist's model and bride, was being remanded to the Tombs to-day until Friday, definite action was taken to exhume the body of her giant husband, Joseph Neill, with whose fiendish murder with a nail file or hat pin she is charged.

The young woman had been sobbing hysterically while waiting to be arraigned in the Centre Street Court and when told that her husband's sister had demanded her execution on the gallows she broke down and wept bitterly.

The case was put off until Friday because the extradition papers were not ready. Then, however, she will be taken to Greenwich, scene of the tragedy, to face her accusers.

May Be Poison Victim.

Application will be made to-morrow by Attorney Greenthal for the bride prisoner, for permission to exhume Neill's body in Calvary Cemetery. Dr. A. T. Weston, coroner's physician in New York, has been retained by the defence to make a second autopsy, in the belief that Neill died from poisoning and not from the thrust of a hat pin or nail file.

Information reached Lawyer Greenthal to-day that one of the most important witnesses for the defence had strangely disappeared. She was the Polish servant in the hotel at New Rochelle, where Neill and his bride lived just after they were married. She told several persons that the day before the tragedy in Greenwich Neill had tried to get her to buy poison for him, saying he wanted to kill himself and perhaps his young wife.

Witness Smuggled Away?

"I believe that this important witness has been smuggled away and hidden from us," said Mr. Greenthal to-day. "She failed to report at the hotel yesterday, and has not been seen about there since. I am going to Greenwich and New Rochelle now to look for her."

Mrs. Neill wept bitterly in the Tombs.

"Oh, why don't they take me to face my accusers. My story of love will free me," she wailed from her cell. "Are they holding me in this terrible place while they manufacture evidence that I killed the man I loved?"

After having spent the whole night in a ceaseless walk up and down her cell in the Tombs, repeatedly moaning that she would die unless her husband returned to her, she was in a desperate condition when the time for her to go back into the court arrived.

"Oh, Joe, come back to me or I must die," she sobbed, hysterically, as she was led across the Bridge of Sighs to the criminal courts building.

Passes Night of Terror.

When a reporter called on the young bride before court convened to-day, the Tombs matron was trying to induce her to take a little broth.

"Oh, God!" cried Mrs. Neill, her golden auburn hair falling about her shoulders, "I will kill myself before I spend another night like that. You can never know how glad I was to see the dawn break to-day. It meant to me the approaching end of a night of frightful terror.

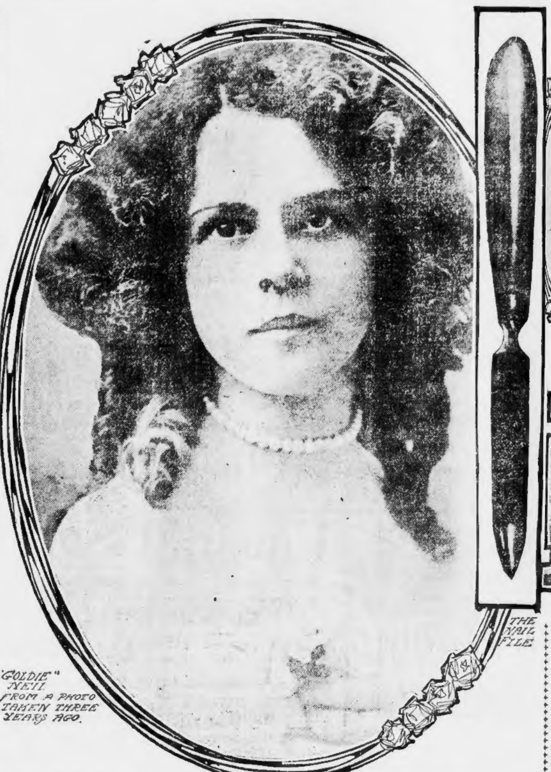
"When I would lie down on the cot and close my eyes and try to think that I was going to sleep the most hideous, maddening scenes would suddenly flash into my brain and I would find myself rushing wildy about the cell.

Would Gladly Die.

"I do not know why I should be punished this way. Death itself could not be worse. I want to die now, if I must spend another night like that.

"That night and the tragedy which ended my poor Joe's life will always be associated in my mind. I never want to see darkness again."

Revenge because Neill had revealed her bigamous marriage and had planned to leave her after putting the authorities on her track, it is now charged by the Greenwich police, was the motive that impelled the pretty artist's model to slay her husband.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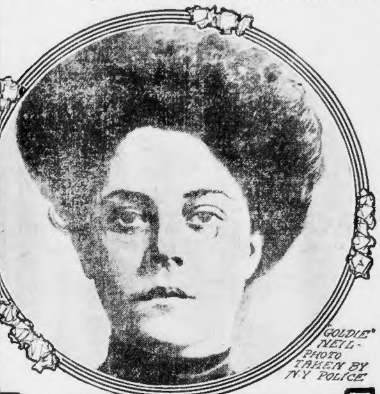
THE NAIL FILE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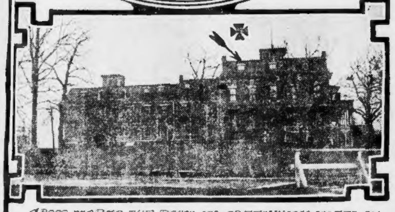
CROSS MARKS THE ROOM IN GREENWICH HOTEL IN WHICH JOSEPH NEILL WAS KILLED

HOW TRAGEDY MARRED BEAUTY OF GIRL.

Photographs taken three years apart show clearly the effects of trouble on the fair face of "Goldie" Neil, who is accused of killing her husband with a nail file.

TRUCK IS LOST ON WAY TO FIRE

MANSFIELD, Dec. 19.—While responding to an alarm for the $35,000 fire that destroyed the Watson block shortly after midnight to-day, the horses attached to the heavy hook and ladder truck bolted and disappeared around a street corner near the engine house.

The outfit was not found until nearly noon to-day, when the members of the department, constituting a searching party, found the horses and the apparatus tangled up in the underbrush of the dense woods north of the Lowney chocolate factory.

FRED L. YOUNG TAKES A BRIDE

Special to the Boston American.

LYNN, Dec. 19.—Fred L. Young, proprietor of the Hotel Seymour here, and one of the best-known horsemen in New England, was married to-day to Lida L. Donovan, a former telephone operator, and the couple are now in Boston en route for New York and New Orleans, where Mr. Young will spend some time attending the Winter horse racing.

The marriage was performed by the Rev. F. W. Perkins, pastor of the First Universalist Church, at his home.

Miss Donovan is twenty-eight years old, and is the daughter of Henry B. Donovan of No. 82 Newhall street.

DEAD CONSUL A HUB MAN.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Nelson Fairchild, United States Vice-Consul at Mukden, Manchuria, is dead. He was born in Boston twenty-seven years ago.

BOSTON MEN GET DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The President to-day sent the following nominations to the Senate:

To be secretaries of embassies—Montgomery Schuyler, Jr., of New York, at St. Petersburg, Russia; John Gardner Coolidge of Massachusetts, at City of Mexico, Mex.

To be second secretaries of embassies—Nelson O'Shaughnessy of New York, at St. Petersburg, Russia; Robert M. Winthrop of Massachusetts, at Rome, Italy.

To be envoys extraordinary and ministers plenipotentiary—Joseph W. Lee of Maryland, to Guatemala and Honduras; Horace G. Knowles of Delaware, to Roumania and Servia; William C. Fox of New Jersey, to Ecuador; Thomas Dawson of Iowa, to Columbia.

To be secretaries of legations—Leonard M. Thomas, of Pennsylvania, at Madrid, Spain; Stanton Sickles, of New York, to Greece and Montenegro; Robert Woods Bliss, of New York, at Brussels, Belgium.

To be secretary of legation and consul-general—William Brown, of Massachusetts, to Roumania and Servia.

To be minister resident and consul-general—Fenton R. McCreary, of Michigan, to Santo Domingo.

To be United States district judge for the district of Nevada—Edwin S. Farrington, of Nevada.

SEEK LOWER 'PHONE RATES

A reduction in telephone rates for calls between exhanges in the city of Boston and the suburban exchanges from ten cents to five cents for a five-minute call is being sought by citizens' associations and similar organizations in the Metropolitan district. A petition asking this reduction has been filed with the Board of Highway Commissioners by Joseph Leonard, chairman of a committee representing these associations. This petition is the first under the new law.

A hearing on the subject was given recently by President Sherwin, Superintendent Wright and counsel for the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company. The committee says it was told that no immediate answer could be given to its request and that the question of reduction would have to remain undecided an indefinite time.

LOOT MILLBURY POSTOFFICE

Postoffice inspectors of New England are to-day doing everything in their power to capture the men who last night broke into the postoffice at Millbury, near Worcester, and who blew open the safe with nitroglycerine, securing all the money and stamps.

Postmaster Nathan H. Sears of Millbury early to-day notified Lawrence Leatherman, postoffice inspector in charge of the New England district, of the safeblowing and robbery. He said that he had no clue to the identity of the men, but they are supposed to be the same gang that had committed several other breaks in the vicinity of late.

WHEELOCK HOLDS RECORD.

Manager Hickey of the Dorchester High School Alumni claims that his crack centre, Wheelock, holds the amateur basketball record, having thrown fifty-two baskets against the strong Everett team. Next Friday the Alumni meets the Melrose A. C. and an exciting game is looked for.

FLAYS RAILROAD MAGNATES FOR CAR SHORTAGE

Cut Out Dress Suits and Swell Hotels, Counsels Dakota Senator.

CALLS ON THE PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—"If the big railroad men of this country would spend more time managing their roads and less in strutting about the swell hotels in dress suits, there would not be as many shortages of cars to cause suffering and death in the remote parts of the country," according to Senator Hansbrough of North Dakota.

The senator had another talk about the car shortage with President Roosevelt today, and when he emerged from the executive office he spoke his mind with great emphasis.

Seek Out the Guilty.

After making the "dress suit" remark, he said that he saw no way of relieving the suffering in the Dakotas for weeks.

"All you can do now," he said, "is to investigate and try to fix the blame for the shortage. We can't remedy matters with the present laws. If the Interstate Commerce Comission were given authority to investigate, and the power to order cars from one part of the country, where they are not needed, to other parts of the country where they are needed, thousands of cars would be at the disposal of the people who needed them.

Abolish Demurrage.

"Then I would sugegst that the demurrage of $1 a day be abolished which now allows a shipper or consignee to hold a car at a terminus or on a side track as long as he pleases. Often cars are held this way for a month at a time, for it is cheaper to pay $1 a day than it is to pay storage."

IRVING'S "L.L. D." FOR HARVARD RELICS

A valuable addition to the priceless collection of relics at Harvard College has just been received in the original copy of the degree of L.L. D., which the college bestowed upon Washington Irving. The interesting parchment had been in possession of M. C. Lefferts, a wealthy New York alumnus. Washington Irving was granted the degree in 1832.

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$350,000 BLAZE CAUSES PANIC IN SHOPPING DISTRICT

STUDIO BUILDING DESTROYED; SEVERAL FIREMEN INJURED

FOUR ALARM FIRE RAGES FOR HOURS

Energetic Work Saves the Orpheum Theatre from Damage.

HARD FIGHT WITH FLAMES

Continued from First Page.

of them, which Mr. Gerrish valued highly, had been worked on for a year, and was almost completed. This, with all the other work of months, is destroyed.

In the rooms of H. Mitchell, engraver, many fine engravings were ready to be sent out to-day. Mr. Mitchell estimates his loss at fully $5,000 on engravings alone.

J. F. Reynolds, the artist, lost many valuable paintings.

Eldredge & Peabody were among the biggest handlers of house furnishings in Boston. Their loss, in money, will be probably the biggest of the day. The firm was carrying a big holiday stock.

It was ten minutes of 9 before Chief Mullen wanted to say that he thought he had the fire under control. At that time it was evident that the blaze had been almost confined to the venerable Studio Building, and that the contents of that structure must be a total loss.

"Crooked stairways delayed the firemen," Chief Mullen said. "It was mighty hard work to get hose up over these winding ways, and almost before we knew it the blaze had made substantial headway. The building, of course, is one of the oldest in the section and constructed after the old style."

STILL BURNED FIERCELY.

At 9 o'clock the hundreds of fire fighters in the neighborhood looked like so many men in white. Water had frozen on their garments.

At 9:05 o'clock the fire in the Studio building was still burning fiercely, and it was evident that when the "all out" signal was sounded there would be nothing left of the structure in which the blaze started but its very shell. The three upper floors had already gone down, carrying with them the street floor and tumbling into the basement an indistinguishable mass.

The men were further annoyed and handicapped by the fact that everything turned into ice. Ladder rounds, ladders and hose, all had an icy coating.

The brunt of the work where the fire raged most fiercely was borne by the men of Engine 7 and Engine 8. These men had early been sent to the rear of the building to fight the flames where they raged the hottest, and at 9 o'clock, worn out by the arduous labor, they were compelled to take a rest. The fight had been at close quarters.

TRAFFIC HELD UP.

It was still so blisteringly hot in the neighborhood of the Orpheum that firemen stood on the fire escapes huddled close to the building, for whatever protection it might give them, while they pointed their hose around the corners, utterly unable to face the severe heat.

Traffic in both directions on Tremont street was held up. People on their way to work had to cut around into Washington street, either by way of School street or Winter street.

In Bromfield street these workers and hundreds of shoppers were put to rout at one time by the bursting of a hose. The horses of Engines 7, 8, and 25, suddenly struck and utterly drenched by the water, were immediately thrown into a state of semi-panic. They reared and plunged with such spirit that pedestrians were put to rout.

Two ambulances from City Hospital and the ambulances of Police Stations 1 and 2 were on duty in the neighborhood. There proved to be something for them to do.

FLOORS TUMBLED IN.

As one after another the three upper floors of the Tremont Street Studio Building tumbled in, it seemed as if millions of sparks ascended into the heavens. For a minute or two the fire at these times took on more of the picturesque.

While the firemen at the rear of the Studio and around the Orpheum bore the heat of the oven-like fire, those out at the front, or Tremont street side, fought their way valiantly through the building to the heart of the trouble.

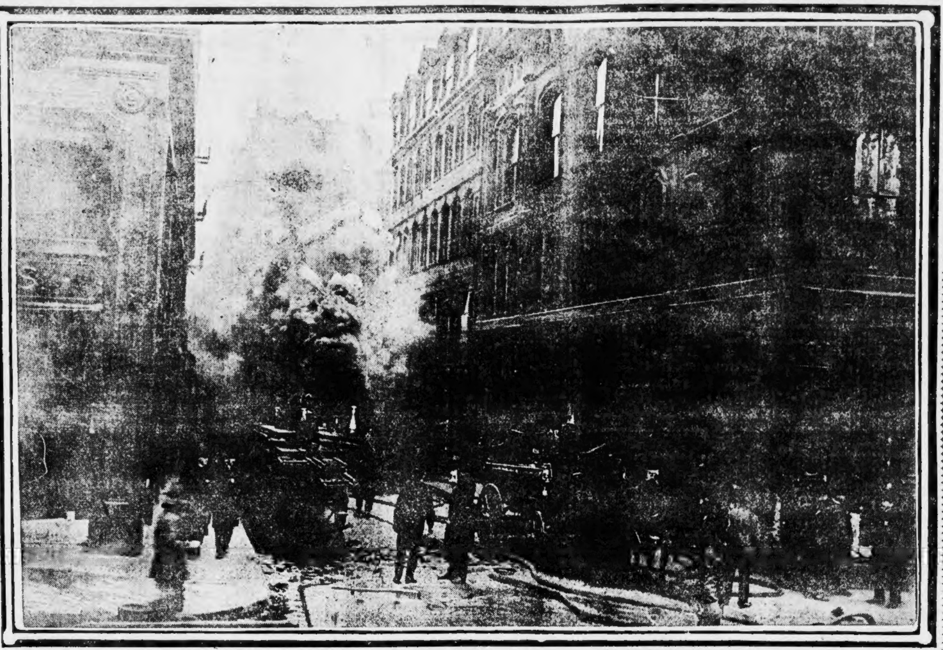
Extra apparatus arrived on the scene and was promptly given stations from which to fight the conflagration. The firemen were greatly hampered by the inaccessibility of the fire in the first place and the extreme cold and the wind in the next. They had to drag their heavy hose lines across the roofs of adjoining buildings. Working so high up in the air they got the full force of whatever wind was blowing, which increased their sufferings from the nipping air.

Though there was not much wind noticeable on the street levels the firemen reported that it was blowing a gale across the high roofs. Their faces were nearly frozen by the cold, and their fingers became numbed and chilled holding on to the hose lines and nozzles.

At 9:30 the Eldredge & Peabody furniture store was a wreck.

The streets and alleys about the scene of the fire were soon choked with fire apparatus. The police co-operated with the firemen in roping off the streets. Tremont street was roped off from Bromfield street on the south to a point nearly down to the Parker House on the north.

Winter street was roped off at Winter place. Inside the roped district, under cover of thick volumes of smoke, fire engines, hose carts, trucks and chiefs' wagons were jammed closely, while the firemen shouted hoarse orders and signals to and fro.



Snapshot by Boston American Staff Photographer.

SCENE WHILE THE BIG FIRE WAS AT ITS HEIGHT, AT CORNER OF TREMONT AND BROMFIELD STREETS.

CLOSE CALL FOR FIRE CHIEF AND HIS MEN

Mullen While Fighting Flames Has Close Call From Accident.

Almost suffocated by smoke and with great tongues of flame darting at him from all directions, Fire Chief Mullen made the fight of his life this morning and won out just when death seemed imminent. Asked about his escape the chief said:

"Half an hour after the fire started I was on the third floor of the Studio Building when a gas meter exploded and the lights went out.

"For two or three minutes—it seemed to me like an hour—I groped around in the dark trying to find a door. Presently I lost my bearings and the flames seemed to spring up on all sides.

"I went down on my knees and began to crawl here and there, hoping to find an exit. The flames were getting hotter and the smoke was getting denser. I found it hard to breathe. You can't imagine what a relief it was to me when at the end of five or six minutes I felt a door.

"In two seconds I had smashed in the door and leaped to safety. It was a lucky leap, for I had jumped clear over a great hole in the floor. If I had fallen into that hole it would have been all over for me."

Acting Chief McDonough Saved Orpheum Theatre

Acting Chief McDonough, by quick action, saved the Orpheum Theatre from serious damage from fire to-day, when, after noticing sparks from the burning Studio Building had ignited a cupola right in the centre of the roof of the theatre, he sent two captains of engines and a hoseman to direct a stream of water on the place. The blaze was extinguished and no damage was done. He said:

"It was right when the blaze was at its fiercest that I noticed that the cupola on the roof of the Orpheum Theatre had caught fire from sparks that were blown from the Studio Building. I ordered Hoseman Coleman, Captain Joy of Engine No. 39 and Captain Lalor of Engine No. 36 to take a line of hose up and put out the fire which was just starting there. They did so and in a few minutes it was extingushed. That was all there was to it."

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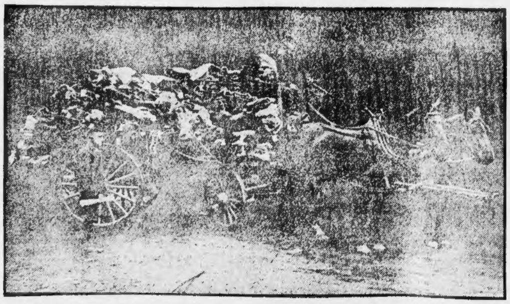

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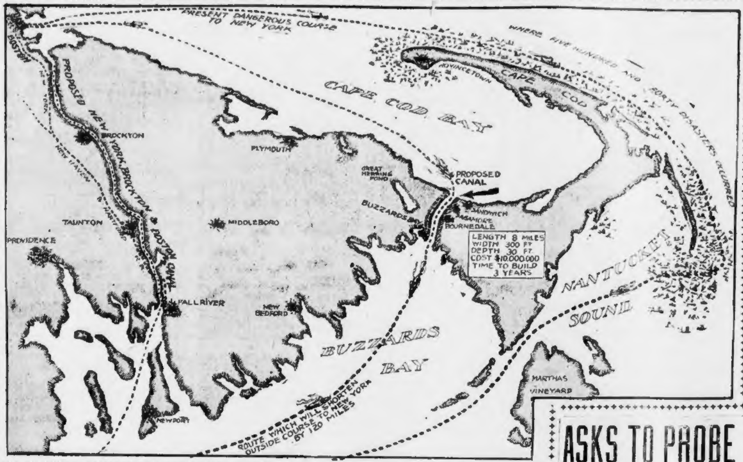


MAP SHOWING DISTANCE SAVED AND DANGERS AVOIDED BY CANALS

Will Back Attempt to Secure Revocation of Old Charter by Legislature.

War to the knife between two big corporations is likely to result from the announcement that August Belmont and his associates have secured control of the Cape Cod canal charter, have had complete plans prepared by William Barclay Parsons and propose to rush the work right through to completion. The Brockton ship canal people have been filing locations for their canal and getting ready for an issue of stock and they appreciate that two different sets of canal securities, one for a $12,000,000 project and another for a $50,000,000 scheme, are put on the market at once the result may be bad for both.

The Brockton people, it is intimated, may seek to force revocation by the Legislature of the Cape Cod charter on the ground that the company has done nothing in all the years since the charter was granted.

On the other hand, it is stated that the plans for the construction of the canal have reached such a stage of completion that digging could be commenced tomorrow if the financiering of the enterprise was also as far advanced. It is on this rock that the plan may come to grief, for the old charter authorized the issue of but $6,000,000 in stock, while the estimated cost of the work will necessitate a capitalization of at least $10,000,000, an increase which it is stated the harbor and land and the railroad commissioners, acting as a joint board, are not disposed to grant.

FACTS ABOUT THE CAPE COD CANAL

Canal bill reported favorably by legislative committees on harbors and public lands on April 17, 1906.

Location—Between Cape Cod Bay at Sandwich and Buzzard's Bay.

Originally started twenty years ago.

Closed shortly afterward by sand.

Will run through villages of Sagamore, Plymouth, Bournedale, Buzzard's Bay and Sandwich.

Promoter—Dewitt C. Flanagan of Baltimore and New York.

Financed by Belmont syndicate of New York and Lee, Higginson & Co. of Boston.

Chief engineer—William Barclay Parsons of New York.

Built by Boston, Cape Cod & New York Canal Company.

Capitalization—$12,000,000; $6,000,000 in 5 per cent. fifty year bonds; $6,000,000 in stock.

Incorporators—Alexander Dow, David W. Belding, Charles E. Hoge, Richard G. Peters, Thomas F. McGarry, Walter F. Clifford, Charles H. Phelps, Dewitt C. Flanagan and William O. Brown.

Cash deposited—$200,000.

Annual tonnage around Cape Cod—30,000,000 tons.

Disasters around Cape Cod from 1875 to 1903—710 vessels; 210 total losses; property loss of $10,000,000; 117 lives lost.

Land part of canal—Eight and one-third miles.

Total distance of dredging—Twelve miles.

Width—250 feet at bottom; 300 feet at Barnstable end; main section 100 feet wide at bottom.

Shortens distance to New York—120 miles.

Approximate cost—$10,000,000.

When completed—1910.

USE YOUR WITS TO GET THEATRE TICKETS FREE

Would you like free theatre tickets to first-class Boston theatres?

If so, why don't you try your ingenuity in the BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN'S inverted word contest?

The contest is not hard. The twenty best answers received are rewarded with two reserved seat tickets to any theatre advertising in the BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN. A better opportunity is seldom offered to put your cleverness to the test and to secure a chance for pleasant theatrical entertainment.

In next Sunday's BOSTON AMERICAN words forming a familiar quotation line will be printed inverted, or upside down, and scattered through the want advertisements. All you have to do is to read the want advertisements carefully, get out the inverted words, arrange them in their proper order to form the quotation and send them to the BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN. Be sure to give the name of the advertiser and the class of advertisement in which the various words are found.

In last Sunday's contest an error in one of the mechanical processes resulted in one of the words not being inverted. The quotation was "One good turn deserves another." The word "another" was not printed in inverted form as it should have been. It was inverted in the composing room, but was unintentionally printed right side up in putting the linotype slug, which contained that word, into the composing form. The contest was held, however, on the basis of four words instead of five, as many solutions were sent in in good faith.

XMAS Suggestions

	Regular Price	Christmas Price
Rocking Chairs	$5.50	$3.98
Parlor Desks	7.50	5.00
Music Cabinets	12.00	8.00
Clocks	8.00	5.75
Lamps	10.00	7.50
Morris Chairs	14.00	9.75
Toilet Tables	16.00	11.50
Dinner Sets	14.00	9.75
Pictures	4.50	3.25
Waste Baskets	1.75	1.25
Smokers' Tables	16.00	10.00

The Plimpton-Hervey Co.
CASH Complete Housefurnishers CREDIT
21 Washington Street Near Haymarket Sq.
OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

ELKS STIRRED BY O'CONNELL AT BANQUET

NORTH ATTLEBORO, Dec. 19.—After a memorable visit to one of the baby lodges of the State, Joseph J. Murphy, of Boston, district deputy for Massachusetts Southeast in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, left to-day for home with members of his suite and distinguished Elks from many places. It was morning before the last speaker had been heard at the banquet which followed the visitation of the district deputy to North Attleboro lodge, No. 1,011, instituted last February and already flourishing with a membership of 88. Thirty business men were guests at the dinner.

Congressman-elect O'Connell, who spoke to "The Mottoes of the Order," was the orator of the night. His eloquence aroused great enthusiasm.

With the district deputy there also came Robert W. Green of Brookline, grand inner guard; District Deputy James P. Franey of Rhode Island, Past District Deputy Arthur W. Hatch of Everett, Representative John J. Higgins of Somerville, P. J. Barrett of New Bedford, J. Foster Colquhoun, George S. Lovejoy, Lawrence B. Long and Frank O. Johnson of Somerville, Henry Barry and John H. Walsh of Boston, Editor James E. Mitchell of the New England Elk, Martin Sullivan of Haverhill, Dr. A. E. McCann of Lowell, W. B. Jackson of Brookline, District Deputy John H. Hayes of Manchester, N. H., and Frank Allen of Attleboro.

DEER ATTACKS MAN AND HORSE IN ROAD

WESTFORD, Vt., Dec. 19.—While W. H. Morgan was driving to this village yesterday a large deer appeared in the road and attacked his horse, which became frightened and ran away. Mr. Morgan finally drove the deer away with a whip, after receiving a gash on the arm.

WOMAN KILLED BY MORPHINE

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 19.—Mrs. Mary Dyer died at her home on Clarke street yesterday from an overdose of morphine. Coroner Plummer did not think an investigation necessary. She was thirty-eight, and leaves a husband and five children.

GOOD THINGS AT RIGHT PRICES

If you want things that are good and wholesome—
If you want to get the Christmas supplies for the table at a fair price—
If you want to send a Christmas Box to some needy family—
If you want to select from a stock which comprises every

CHRISTMAS REQUISITE

You'll be sure of satisfaction at any of our retail stores.

We wish the public to know that in spite of the advance in price of many materials, we are manufacturing the same quality of fine Chocolates and Bon-Bons as in former years, and that our prices will not be changed in any event until after Christmas—remember

Best Chocolates and Bon Bons 50c Per Lb.

and all the usual great variety of special Christmas candies at our customary low prices.

COBB, BATES & YERXA CO
55 Summer Street
6 and 8 Faneuil Hall Sq. 87 and 89 Causeway St. 274 Friend St.
Also in Malden, Chelsea, Salem, Taunton and Fall River.

ASKS TO PROBE CONGO LOBBY

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 19.—Demanding that a probe be made into the Congo lobby in the Senate, Senator Patterson of Colorado yesterday introduced a resolution to the effect that the charges by a New York newspaper in relation to the lobby be investigated by the Senate committee on foreign relations.

The resolution recites that a lobby is alleged to have been maintained by a foreign government, and as a duly accredited consular official is accused of having sent communications to senators, in an effort to influence them, the facts should be brought out.

TO ADDRESS CITY CLUB ON ALASKA

The Hon. John C. Brady, former Governor of the territory of Alaska, will address the members of the Boston City Club to-morrow evening upon the marvellous resources of Alaska and the unusual opportunities which that territory affords to the enterprising young men of the Eastern States. Harvey S. Chase will preside.

Different from others

Father John's Medicine Cures Colds

No Alcohol or Poisonous Drugs
GUARANTEED.

$1.00 Chocolate Pot Free

TO Want Advertisers in next Sunday's American.

The exquisite J. & C. China, Louise pattern. The best ware of Bavaria. Most valuable premium yet offered.

CHRISTMAS
FLOWERS and CHOICE PLANTS
J. NEWMAN & SONS Corp'n
Kimball Bldg. 24 Tremont St.

MAYOR VISITS WONDERLAND; IN ROLE OF SANTA

Not if Santa Claus himself should squeeze through the keyhole and deluge them with toys, could two certain little boys be more surprised than they will be on Christmas morning, through the generosity of Mayor Fitzgerald.

The Mayor believes evening is the time for men to do their Christmas buying, when their minds are free from business cares; so accordingly he journeyed to Wonderland at the Henry Siegel store early last evening, where throngs of men, women and children were buying toys and marvelling at the sights of the "Land of Make Believe."

Two poor little boys, wistfully eyeing miniature automobiles, were espied by the Mayor as he came along. Calling a salesman to one side, he said: "Just charge those to my account and send them out to the little fellows so they will get them Christmas morning. Be sure to get the right address from their mother."

Mayor Fitzgerald will not soon forget the happiness that lighted up that mother's face.

COURT FREES COUNTESS OF BONI'S DEBTS

PARIS, Dec. 19.—Through the decision rendered to-day in the suit brought by several creditors against Count Boni de Castellane and his former wife, Madame Anna Gould, the latter is freed from all responsibility for the debts contracted by her husband, except in a few minor instances.

Boni must pay alone $25,265 to usurers. Claims of money lenders amounting to $381,131 were thrown out.

DR. C. C. ODLIN OF MELROSE IS DEAD

After a year's illness, Dr. Charles Cushing Odlin, aged sixty years, is dead from heart disease, at his home in Melrose, where he had been one of the most prominent physicians for the past thirty years. He was one of the founders of the Melrose Hospital and a consulting surgeon for the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea. The funeral will be held Friday and will be private. Burial will be at Exeter, N. H.

2 BOMBS MISS POLICE CHIEF

LODZ, Poland, Dec. 19.—Two bombs were thrown at Chief of Police Chrzanowski to-day while he was driving through one of the principal streets. The horse drawing the vehicle and the driver were killed, but Chrzanowski escaped with slight injuries. His carriage was destroyed. Several dragoons who were escorting the police chief were mortally wounded.

I Came, Saw, Conquered.

The above message, sent by Julius Caesar to the people of Rome, is brief and explicit. It was received with the greatest joy by the multitude and the name of the author became famous in history. When Dr. Burkhart CAME before the people with his renowned Dr. Burkhart's Vegetable Compound, and SAW that afflicted mankind was in need of his help, he CONQUERED disease, spreading his name throughout the universe. This celebrated remedy is intended to cure diseases originating in the kidneys, liver, nerves and blood, as rheumatism, catarrh, constipation, erysipelas, dyspepsia and female complaints. It upbuilds the entire system, strengthens the tissues and purifies the blood of all poisonous infusions. 30 days' treatment, 25c. All druggists.

OPEN EVENINGS TILL 9

FRESH HOLIDAY MERCHANDISE EVERY HOUR—RESTAURANT OPEN ALL DAY AND EVENING

Merchandise Bonds Solve the gift problem by enabling the recipients to select their own Christmas gifts and get what they want more than anything else. You buy the bond—pay any amount you like, and on presentation the one to whom you give it can select merchandise from any department to the amount of the Bond's face value.

HENRY SIEGEL CO.
WASHINGTON AND ESSEX STS.

New England's Greatest
TOY, DOLL and GAME STORE

READY FOR THE GREAT FINAL RUSH—THURSDAY, FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY,

Doubling our sensational records of last year—all on account of the merchandise—everything the people want at prices they want to pay. Every dollar's worth of Toys, Dolls and Games brought forward until our counters are fairly groaning under the weight.

Things you cannot find in other stores will be found here right up to the last minute before closing time on Christmas Eve, because we do a big toy business all the year round and must always have complete Stocks.

150 Rocking Horses Same style as picture, and the less expensive kind. All sizes to fit children from 3 to 8 years old.
25 without stands at....... $1.25
43 without stands at....... $2.25
100 same as picture $3.00, and so on up to $15.00.

Flexible Flyers
and all kinds of Boys' and Girls' Sleds for............ 29c up to $6.85. Last Thursday four carloads arrived, 6,200 sleds all told. To-day one-half of the lot has gone; by Saturday night they will all be gone. The way we are selling toys is beyond precedent.

250 Dolls' Trunks
Plaid covered with binding, slats and lock, tray inside, just like Mamma's trunk. Special at 50c
Other styles, 59c, 75c, $1.75, $2.00.

25 cases of the real Britannia and Pewter children's TEA SETS, non-destructible. This is one of the busiest sections in all Wonderland. Read the prices. Set of six cups and saucers 15c
Complete tea set in box.... 25c
And so on up to $1.75.

A Child's Automobile Four Hundred Dollars
Not this one, but another of our many styles; it really goes by electric power. You ought to see it, thousands have, and only a few days left, that is if you are a Motorist.

Our Special, the Eclipse
Same as cut, rubber tires, beautifully painted, in blue enamel, gear and crank. Special price $5.00
Other styles, $4.00, $4.25, $11.75, $16.00. Automobiles are the best street toy on the market to-day.

Children's Sleighs
Selling fast—one day of snow and the balance will be gone; better anticipate Christmas to-day, tomorrow may be too late. We have 65 at.... $4.50
40 at $10.00; there are other styles, but these are our two specials.

20 Cases of Beautiful Imported Tea Sets
Coming too late to be accepted by us at regular prices, 20% discount to keep the lot, and they go to you at the same big saving.
Lot No. 1—Four cups and saucers, cake plate, creamer, sugar bowl and tea pot, neatly packed in box 25c
Lot No. 2—Six cups and saucers, creamer, sugar bowl, tea pot, cake plate, hand decorated in gold and flower designs 50c
Other prices 79c, $1.00, $1.35.

Magic Lanterns
250 of them, with six slides, like picture 50c
Other styles 79c, $1.00, $1.69, $2.00, $2.50, up to $3.75. Centimetrograph $3.95, $6.00, $8.95.

Engines That Go
Our mechanical toy display is the talk of all New England; other stores admit they are surprised. Engines go, whistles blow. A water tank also, so you can see just how the boats run. Engines like picture 50c
Other prices $1.25, $1.30, $1.50, up to $25.00.

Shetland Ponies
Prancing steeds, waiting to be owned by some dear little child. Complete with bridle and saddles .. $4.95
Up to the real skin kind at $16.50.

Iron Toys
Two counters, showing by far the largest in New England. Everything from a Hansom Cab to a Hook and Ladder, 50c, 75c, $1.00.

A Thousand Dollar Doll House
And a full line at 50c to $25.00. The $1,000 house has eight rooms, carpeted, with lace curtains at windows, which open; perfectly fitted kitchen and bath room for running water, electric lighting and bells; in fact, a perfect fac-simile of a modern up-to-date house. Our other houses are better value than elsewhere. Four other stores had a finger in this transaction else you would never been able to get them so cheap. 200 at 50c, 40 at.............. $1.50

10 Cases of the Best Stoves
You ever saw for the price. Complete with cooking utensils, full nickel trimmings.
75c
Regular $1.25 value. Other styles 89c, $1.15, $1.25, $1.35.
Henry Siegel Co.—Third Floor.

25 doz. only of $2.00 Dolls for $1.37
Don't hesitate a moment, buy or forget this item, for its only enough to last a day. This value is without equal in all the New England States. Genuine Handwerck's.

100 Dozen Imported Teddy Bears
White and cinnamon; just enough for the first three hours' selling 69c
50 doz. genuine Roosevelt bears $1.00
Other prices $1.25, $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00.

30 Styles of Wagons
The Pony Express and the Daisy are the best, finely finished full-size wagon. "Daisy" at $1.50; the "Pony Express" at $1.00.
Can you understand how we do it? Quantities and our enormous outlet, that's the whole story.

Blackboards
200 at............59c
20 at............$2.00
When these are sold the blackboard stock is exhausted.

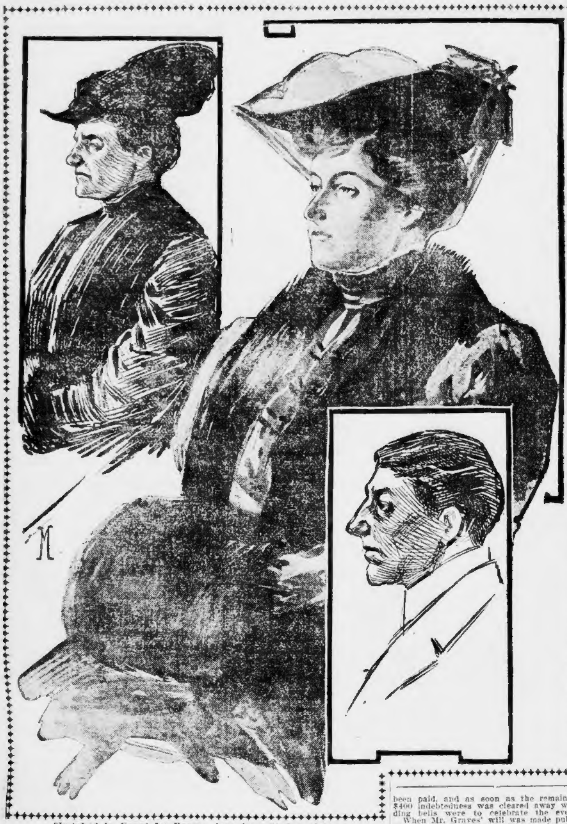
Wash Sets
like picture, 250 of them for..... 50c

Pianos
10 keys, handsomely decorated. Schoenhut make. Prices up to $5.00.

Largest Showing of Tool Chests
in the city. Boston Union Tool Chest Co. make tools really good for something.
200 at. 25c
100 at...39c
75 at...50c
60 at...69c
80 at.$1.39
47 at.$1.25
59 at.$1.65

Children's Paris Desks
same as picture, inside partition fitted with blackboard, nicely varnished. 105 of them at. $1.00

LOVE FOR MAN AND LOVE FOR MONEY CLASH IN WILL CONTEST



Sketched in Court by Boston American Staff Artist.

MRS. SNOW, HER DAUGHTER AND HER SON.

For Pitiful Sum Children Blacken Father's Name By Reviving Story of Unsolved Mystery.

By Eleanor Ames.

LOVE for man and love of money, the two strongest passions in human nature, formed the main theme of the story brought out in the Salem court yesterday in the will contest case of the late William H. Graves.

And woven into this most dramatic of themes was the revived story of a twenty-five-year-old, unsolved murder mystery and the intimated price of silence, introduced by Mrs. Snow, the divorced wife of the dead maker of the will and the mother of his contesting children.

The bringing out of this tragic testimony proved a bombshell surprise in the courtroom, set all Marblehead and Salem talking and "recollecting," and then apparently slipped into its place in the records of the testimony without having solved the old question of how Frank Hathaway met his death in 1881, or turning the tide of battle from the main issue, namely, who shall have the money left by William Graves—his two children or Miss Stone, to whom he paid court for a dozen years, who said "she loved him dearly;" who cared for him in his last illness, and who declared on the witness stand that marriage was intended as the eventual end of these years of devotion and friendship?

Sum Pitifully Small.

So those who place an easy valuation on money and who fail to count cupidity as one of the component parts of their nature, the sum involved, $2,000, seems pitifully small as the cause for dragging out of the peace of the grave two men, one, Hathaway, who is unknown and unheard of by the present generation, and the other the father of two healthy, hearty, grown children, who hear their father's name, blackened by the implication of murder, and know he can not defend himself.

William H. Graves died last July.

He died in the house of Miss Stone, and was cared for by her. He was not visited in that last illness by his children or by his divorced wife.

Miss Stone says that some day she would have become Mrs. Graves. She and Mr. Graves had known each other ever since before his marriage to his first wife, who was a school mate and for many years Miss Stone's friend.

She and Mr. Graves had many business dealings. He had an express business. She did dressmaking.

The house in which Miss Stone lived and Mr. Graves died was bought by Mr. Graves for $1,200, of which $800 had been paid, and as soon as the remaining $400 indebtedness was cleared away wedding bells were to celebrate the event.

When Mr. Graves' will was made public Miss Stone received all of his savings except two dollars, which was equally divided between his children.

Divorced Wife Remarried.

Mr. Graves' first wife remarried after the divorce and is now Mrs. Snow, and separated from her second husband.

The children have always lived with her.

They do not remember when their father made one of the household.

The daughter is a young woman of twenty-six, rather prepossessing in appearance. In court she wore a tailored suit of brown, brown hat and brown furs.

She is now Mrs. Carrie O. Mason, and was divorced from her husband after a comparatively short married life.

Mrs. Snow has a surprising amount of energy and style for a woman fifty years of age.

Dressed entirely in black, with a trig little short-sleeved coat met by long black gloves, and wearing a smart, wing-trimmed black hat, she sat in court all day, listening with unfaltering attention to every word of testimony.

Twenty-five years ago, it is said, she tried to have an investigation made of her husband's connection with the Hathaway murder.

To-day, when her children fight for their father's estate, she revives the memory of a quarter of a century ago.

Carrie Stone told me that she had never before been in a courtroom. "And I hope never to have to come again," she added.

Voice Is Her Charm.

She remained only long enough to give her testimony, retiring to the library, where she sat, with her back to the curious ones who looked in at the door.

She is about Mrs. Stone's size and similar in figure.

Her front teeth are gold crowned. Her hair is turning gray and she wears glasses.

Her chief charm lies in her voice, which is soft and well modulated.

When she went on the street she wore a heavy black veil and tried to evade the cameras.

Has she carried for twenty-five years the secret of Frank Hathaway's death?

I asked the question mentally over and over as I watched her.

Did her eyes, in the loneliness of the cemetery, see who robbed and then killed that man?

There is no sign of long, haunting memories written on her face, and aside from her testimony on the witness stand her lips were sealed.

It is a strange case, in its many elements.

As I heard the testimony and the final arguments, an old proverb rang in my ears. It had to do with the wisdom of letting sleeping dogs lie.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Always Remember the Full Name
Laxative Bromo Quinine
Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days

E. W. Grove on every box. 25c

"DOLLARICA," GERMAN DREAM ON AMERICA

In This Happy Land All the Men Get Rich Quick and Women Don't Have to Work.

ARE ONLY ORNAMENTS

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—"America should be called 'Dollarica,' and in the life of 'Dollarica' the most striking and novel feature is the position of woman. The woman is an expensive ornament in the home rather than an important cog in its machinery."

This is a part of the latest severe criticism of America, its customs and conventions, and especially of the American woman contained in the Neueste Nachrichten of Munich. The long article in this newspaper has been read and commented on all over Germany, so that discussion of the American woman has become the chief topic of talk.

"In 'Dollarica,'" the newspaper goes on to say, "men become rich, or at least well-to-do, in a rush. The natural result is that in the family partnership the woman's responsibilities as wife and mother are not great. She does not have to toil ceaselessly, sweeping and cooking, because she can hire others to do it. She need not turn over every penny before spending it, for she is liberally supplied with spending money."

NEW ENGLAND FREEZES; WARM WAVE COMING

New England is to-day the cold centre of the entire country. Everywhere throughout the United States and Canada the weather conditions are moderate and clear. There are light winds, becoming easterly and southerly. At Northfield, Vt., at 8 o'clock to-day the temperature was twenty degrees below zero.

Fair and warmer weather is predicted for to-morrow. From 7 o'clock this morning to 10 o'clock the mercury had risen seven degrees, and by to-night the cold snap which has had a hold on New England for the past twenty-four hours will have passed on.

At 8 o'clock this morning the following temperatures were recorded:

Eastport, Me., zero; Portland, Me., two above; Concord, N.H., ten below; Northfield, Vt., twenty below; Burlington, Vt., six below; Boston, ten above; Providence, ten above; Hartford, Ct., eight above; Nantucket, twenty-four above; Block Island, sixteen above; New York, twenty above; Washington, sixteen above; and Jupiter, Florida, seventy-four above.

MRS. GUILD IS MUCH BETTER

Mrs. Curtis Guild, Jr., wife of the Governor, is to-day rapidly recovering from her operation for appendicitis, and, according to a bulletin issued by her physician, Dr. James G. Mumford, she had a good night's rest and is able to take nourishment. The bulletin also said that everything looks favorable for her recovery.

The operation was performed upon Mrs. Guild yesterday after she had been confined to her room for several weeks, as the result of a cold contracted while travelling with the Governor from Atlantic City to Boston.

WILL FIGHT ACCUSERS, SAYS MISS M'DANIEL

PLEADS NOT GUILTY OF PLOT TO KEEP AUNT IN ALMSHOUSE. PLANS COUNTER CHARGES

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Miss Mary McDaniel, accused of plotting to keep her aged aunt, Mrs. Sarah Davis, in Boston's almshouse on Long Island, in order to enjoy the income from property that should have been divided with the other, declares through her lawyer that she will fight back and will bring counter charges against those accusing her.

After being arraigned yesterday before Recorder Goff and weepingly pleading not guilty to the charge of perjury in swearing falsely that her aunt was dead, her attorney, Joseph Fargis, at last succeeded in securing her release on bail.

Mr. Fargis declared after the hearing that when his client signed the affidavit regarding her aunt she believed her dead and that she would be ready and willing for trial. "At the proper time and place," he said, "Miss McDaniel and her attorneys will tell their stories.

KILLED NEAR HOME, WIFE ILL

Within sight of his home at No. 13 Beach street, Charlestown, where his wife lay dangerously ill, James Murphy, thirty-four years old, had both legs severed and his body mangled by being struck by engine 200 while crossing the tracks of the Boston & Maine Railroad at Beach street yesterday. He was taken to the Relief Hospital, where he died early to-day.

IN the glow of a good cigar Life's cares fade into the dark shadows—as all cares should on Christmas morn.

Whoever the man is—*if he smokes*—you can find his heart with a puff of tobacco.

And the very best cigars can be sent as gifts without taxing the giver's ability to give—Quality, not quantity, can always be the guide. Out of a lean purse you can reach a luxurious taste.

You can select 25, 50, 75, 100 or more cigars of just the brand you want.

Unlike almost everything else you can think of, a gift of cigars can be made to fit both the giver's purse and the recipient's taste.

CIGARS UNITED

You needn't give 100 Carolina Perfectos costing $21 to a friend whose choice is Imported cigars—a box of 25 at $5.25 carries the same message. If the friend favors El Principe de Gales Soberanos at $12 per 100, a box of 50 at $6 hits the mark as squarely.

And if you must have Havana-American Perfecto Royals at $12 per 100, a box of 25 at $3 is available.

So it goes down the cigar list.

UNITED CIGAR STORES COMPANY

NEW LEVIATHAN FOR THE HUDSON

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The directors of the People's Hudson River line have awarded contracts for a new steamer, which, when completed, will ply between New York and Albany. The new steamer will be the largest inland water passenger vessel in commission. The hull construction will be of steel, and it will be 440 feet in length. It will be somewhat similar to the Charles W. Morse, now owned by the same company.

The steamer will have over 500 staterooms, many of them in bathroom suites, and passengers may enjoy the same degree of comfort afforded by a modern first-class hotel. Sleeping accommodations for 2,500 people will be provided. It will be ready for service for the opening of the Summer season of 1908.

The hull of the new vessel will be built at Camden, N. J., by the New York Shipbuilding Company. Other contracts awarded are to the W. & A. Fletcher Company of Hoboken, for the engines, which will be of the most improved type, and to Charles W. English of Greenpoint, for the joiner work.

The Price to Pay for Good Whiskey is the Price You Pay for Callahan Home Whiskey

Do you realize that in buying whiskey from the dealer you are paying the cost of the whiskey plus the profits of the jobber, wholesaler and retailer? And even then the high price does not insure you a perfect whiskey.

There is no way of protecting the whiskey that goes through the various channels of trade. But there is a SURE way of getting whiskey that you can depend on as being absolutely perfect, and that is by buying Callahan Home Whiskey that comes direct to you.

When you buy Callahan Home Whiskey you get an absolutely perfect whiskey at about half the price you would have to pay for goods of unknown quality.

Our plan of selling direct to you not only protects you, but it saves you in money all the in-between profits and expenses that are charged you when buying other whiskey.

No whiskey can compare with Callahan Home Whiskey in quality, maturity, age and excellence.

No better whiskey made for medicinal or general use.

You remove every chance of buying inferior whiskey of unknown quality when you buy Callahan Home Whiskey. It is of sure known value.

OUR SPECIAL OFFER.

Send us $3 for four (4) full quarts of Callahan Home Whiskey, Rye or Bourbon, and we will promptly ship the goods to any point in New England, express charges prepaid. Sample a bottle, and if not thoroughly satisfied with your purchase return the case to us, at our expense, and your $3 will be returned without argument or delay.

We mean exactly what we state. The entire risk is ours. You have no expense if we do not please you.

JOHN F. CALLAHAN & CO., DISTILLERS and BLENDERS 154-162 Federal St., Boston, Mass.

Bradstreet's and Dun's Mercantile Agencies or the National Shawmut Bank of Boston will tell you that we are an old and reliable firm.

AMUSEMENTS.

KEITH'S
TODAY 1 TO 10:30 P. M.
Final Week—Farewell Appearances
MRS. LANGTRY
She Is Scheduled for 3:30 and 9:15 P. M.
THE WESSELYS
JULIAN ROSE
MERKEL SISTERS
GALLAGHER and BARRETT
MELANI TRIO
POLK, COLLINS and the CARMEN SISTERS
FITZGIBBON-McCOY TRIO
DIAMOND and SMITH
NETTIE CARROLL
ARROS BROTHERS
THE KINETOGRAPH
AND OTHERS.
PRICES 25, 35 AND 50.
Orchestra Front, 75c.
NEXT WEEK—"Buster" Gabriel.
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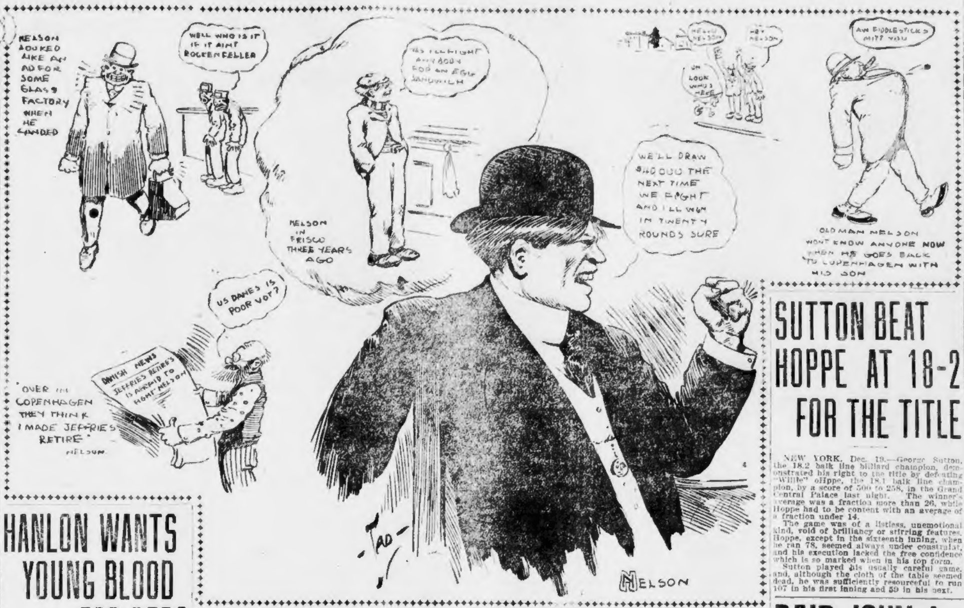
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JEFF AND JOHNSON TO FIGHT

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—James J. Jeffries, the heavyweight champion of the world, has decided to come out of his retirement from active participation in ring battles and will fight Jack Johnson, the negro, for the title. This is the announcement Sam Fitzpatrick, the manager of Johnson, made in the American's office last evening.

Fitzpatrick got his information from Tex Rickard, the man who promoted the Goldfield (Nev.) fight between Gans and Nelson. Rickard has dangled a $50,000 purse before the eyes of the big fellow, and the latter, after considering the matter over carefully for a few days, announced that he would accept it. As a mater of fact, Jeffries wants money to secure a choice piece of farming land adjoining his property in California, and then again he is weary of the repeated assertions that he was always afraid of meeting Johnson, and that the negro had, in fact, driven him into retirement.

Jeffries drew the color line when Johnson challenged a few years ago, and he is now anxious to show that it was not fear of the negro that forced him into private life. Jeffries has at last been brought to realize that he could not remain in retirement with an unblemished record so long as there was a single fighter he had refused to meet in the ring.

To Talk Over Wire.

Within a few days Sam Fitzpatrick and Jeffries will have a talk over the American's leased wire to Los Angeles, and then the articles will be drawn up. Tex Rickard intends to have the battle take place next July, and it will probably be held in the very same ring in which Gans and Nelson fought so fiercely for forty-three rounds. Like the contest between the lightweights, the Jeffries-Johnson battle will be one to a finish, held during the daytime.

Johnson left for the coast last week. Before he departed he repeatedly made the statement that he had "forced" the mighty Jeffries out of the fighting business. News of Johnson's boast, more than anything else, is said to have influenced Jeffries in coming back again. The fight, therefore, promises to be one of the hardest fought contests the American ring has ever known.

Fitzpatrick said there was no truth in the assertion that he was no longer the manager of Johnson, Alec McLean of Boston, Mass., having superseded him. "McLean is helping Johnson pass the time away," said Fitzpatrick, "but I am the man who is looking after his important ring affairs."

Jeff's Return No Surprise.

The return of Jeffries would not come as a tremendous surprise to the sporting world. It was felt when he consented to referee the Burns-O'Brien affair that he still took a deep interest in pugilism, and that he could not long resist the luring offers made by enterprising promoters, especially as he needed more money for his alfalfa enterprise.

While refereeing the Burns-O'Brien bout Jeffries undoubtedly felt that neither of these men had the necessary weight and hitting power to become his successor, and that a match with either man would hardly prove a money making attraction. There was nothing left for him to do then, if he wanted to fight, but to take on the negro, Johnson.

An effort was made last night to reach Jeffries through the Los Angeles Examiner. The big fellow had gone on a hunting trip, however, and his wife claimed to know nothing about his change of attitude toward the ring. In the old days frequent hunting trips was Jeff's favorite method of getting in good condition for a hard course of training, and the sporting men of Los Angeles were inclined to regard the present trip as a good omen.

O'Brien May Referee.

Jack O'Brien's name has been mentioned as a likely man to referee the Herman-Gans battle on New Year's. M. M. Riley has asked the Philadelphian to come here for a consultation.

Jim Jeffries may not come on to do any refereeing. When Jeff refereed the Hart-Root fight at Reno he strayed into a gambling house, so it is said, and dropped $4,000. He gave his I. O. U. for the $4,000, it is said, and has never paid it. Under the Nevada laws, it is alleged, a gambling debt can be recovered by law the same as any other kind of money, and hence Jeff, so runs the tale, has never been to Nevada since. If he come to referee the Herman-Gans bout he may get pinched, and so the big fellow is likely to keep away.

HANLON WANTS YOUNG BLOOD FOR REDS

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19.—Manager Hanlon of the Cincinnati team has decided upon the biggest kind of a shakeup before the Reds take the field in 1907. He has already sold Shortstop Corcoran to the New York Nationals and may let Joe Kelley come here too unless Pittsburg exerts a prior claim.

Jim Delehanty will go to the St. Louis Americans, Chick Fraser to the Chicago Cubs, Livingston and Siegel to Indianapolis and Bob Wicker to Columbus. Hanlon has made an offer to the St. Louis Nationals for Catcher Mike Grady, upon whose services McGraw is said to have waived claim. He has also picked up the cream of the playing talent in California and has also drafted many promising youngsters from the minor leagues.

First Baseman Deal will be supplanted by John Ganzel, while Right Fielder Jude is slated for release. Hanlon is adopting the same methods which yielded a champion ball team for him in Baltimore twelve years ago. He wants a young blood team which will obey orders and hustle all the time.

GRAD COACHES AT CORNELL

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Abandoning the professional head coach in football, Cornell has adopted a system of graduate coaching, and next fall will put it into operation. Henry Schoelltkopf, '02, and Morris Halliday, '06, are the men selected to do the work. At a meeting of the athletic council held last night they were selected to act as field coaches for next year. With Captain Cook they will form the football field committee, and will be assisted in coaching by old Cornell football players, chosen by the council and the committee.

Gans Won't Accept George Siler

TROUBLE OVER REFEREE

Special to the Boston American.

TONOPAH, Nev., Dec. 19.—There is a deadlock over the referee question which has caused a postponement of the discussion on this point until to-morrow, until Riley and Gans arrive here and will get together in an effort to decide the question. Joe Gans has stood out steadily for Eddie Graney, while Nate Lewis and Kid Herman want George Siler. Manager Riley of the Casino Club wants Jim Jeffries.

For some reason or other which the fight fans cannot fathom, Gans has made a terrific fight on Siler. It was believed that after the way Siler treated Gans at Goldfield that the least the colored boy could do would be to accept him for referee on this occasion, but Joe has put his foot down so decidedly that there is no possibility of his changing, and he has told his friends here that sooner than accept Siler he will leave it to the club to decide, and it is a well-known fact that Manager Riley wants Jeffries, figuring that the big boilermaker will prove a great drawing card.

Nate Lewis is holding out for Siler, although he has said that he must consider some other good man, but not Graney. Reports from Los Angeles do not convey the impression that Jeff is a brilliant success as a referee, but he is unquestionably honest, and will administer justice to the best of his ability.

That he lacks experience in this form of ring work is the worst charge that can be made against Jeffries, and that is why fighters do not take to the idea of having him pass on their bouts.

The impression has grown here that the colored boy is not as much on the level as his fluent talk would indicate, and his well-known reputation for foxy dealings leads many to suppose that something is hatching for New Year's day. Just what this might be is not stated, but rumors are flying thick and fast.

Gans has not made an overwhelming number of friends here, in spite of all that might be said. Kid Herman has added an extra round to his boxing. Yesterday he worked longer at the bag and the rope than any day since he began training. His sparring partner, Adam Ryan, was pretty tired when the Kid called a halt on the day's work.

YALE TEAM ON A LONG TRIP

NEW HAVEN, Dec 19.—Yale's basketball "five" left here last night for a 3,000-mile tour of Southern and Middle Western cities. The schedule of games takes the team to Newark, Baltimore, Washington, Atlanta, Birmingham, Nashville, St. Louis, Kansas City, Chicago, Cleveland, Oberlin, Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse. The "five" will return to New York on January 8.

The Yale hockey team also left last night. The team will practice in New York until January 1, when they will go to Pittsburg to meet Cornell there on January 2, 3 and 4, and the Pittsburg interscholastic team on January 5.

TAYLOR OFFERS $7,500 FOR MAC

DETROIT, Dec. 19.—If Matty McIntyre, the crack outfielder of the Detroit Americans, is allowed to go to another club, it will not be before a fancy price has been paid for his release. At the recent American League meeting at Chicago, Boston offered $7,500 in cash for McIntyre.

Unless present signs go for nothing McIntyre will be a member of one of the big teams in the East, the owner of which stands ready to pay over $10,000.

THE DANE EAGER TO DEFEND BILLY NOLAN

MAY FIGHT ABROAD!

BATTLING NELSON, the "Mayor of Hegewisch," blew into the BOSTON AMERICAN yesterday morning with a smile on his face and enough of that Tiffany junk upon his person to start a young hock shop.

Three years ago when Nelson was in 'Frisco he wore one of those rings made out of a horse shoe nail. Yesterday he had the gilt stuff so thick on him that the only thing you could get a peek at was his cauliflower ear.

He looked good enough. He wasn't marked a bit from the great Goldfield fight, but, my, how he does hate a certain gentleman by the name of Gans who at one time resided at Baltimore.

The Battler Talks.

After he shot a lot of bull about his monologue stunt on the stage and his coming trip to Europe, the possibility of his meeting Gans again was broached, and the Battler flared up in a minute.

"I don't like to talk about that man Gans, for every time I say a word it is boosting his game and after what he has done to me I'm not doing any business for him. But on the level, I had rather get that fellow in the ring more than any other fellow.

"You know that they tried to knock me and send out phoney stories from the West about the fight but as true as I'm sitting here that nigger quit. You know he tried every punch he knew on me. He fought clever and then slugged, he batted them out every way he knew and then after getting tired didn't know what to do. He thought that I might be there for a month. His punches didn't bother me any more than if they were slaps. The round before he quit I beat him so hard about the body that he vomited blood five different times and was all in for fair.

"You know he was so weak that he could hardly go any more and I was backing him all over the ring. He knows in his heart that he had enough and the very first chance he had to drop he did and got away with it.

"He says that he broke his hand in the eighth round. Well, if he fought and punched that way for thirty-four rounds after that he's the greatest broken handed fighter that ever lived, you can take that from me.

Dane Will Make Terms.

"Just pin this in your hat, if we ever fight again Battling Nelson will dictate the terms, not Gans. What right has he to put it up to me after such a hollow victory? When my drawing powers diminish the last bit then I will retire from the ring the same that I would have done had he knocked me out. Guess I have got enough laid by to keep me from depending on Gans for my future.

"What, take a drink! Never touched the stuff in my life. Champange, wine and carbolic acid are all the same to me.

"Don't get me wrong, old pal, that I am running away from Gans, but if he wants another match with me he will have to fight winner take all or go for a big winner's end. He hasn't got anything on me.

"But say, this town is the greatest ever. Why, I have to go easy with that crowd at the theatre. When I told them I never was in love, one guy pipes up, 'Don't give us that Bat, we saw you the last time you were here.' Can you beat it.

"No never heard from my breach of promise suit. Some fly manager wanted to boost a soubrette he had under his wing and used me for the fall guy and I let it go. Funny thing, a manager out West wanted to ring in the same game on Tommy Ryan when he was looking for some glim of the lime light, but Tommy wouldn't stand for it.

"I can't dope the Herman fight, no. You never can tell when Gans is going to fake. He might be a big favorite in this fight and then throw them all down and lose to Herman in a round.

Will Stick by Nolan.

"Why do they knock Nolan? Let them knock him. Bill has been on the level with me. He has been honest from the start and all I ask is that a fellow treat me square. I'm for Nolan as long as he is on the level. He gets the money and I fight. Yes, Bill is on his way to England now, and I'll leave on the 26th to meet him over there. Oh, I might fight in London, I can't tell what he has done. If he signs me up, yes, I'll fight any of them. I don't see any one here to fight except Gans and he won't come through.

"Am I going to Denmark? That's my one best bet. Wait till you see how they boost me in the Copenhagen sporting papers. I'm a terrible hit over there. You know my old man lived there and they think that Jeffries retired because I challenged him. I'll have a great time with the Copenhagen sports. I'm going to bring the old man over with me to see his gang. He's daffy to get back there for a trip. I'll bet he'll go around all swelled up like a poisoned pup, eh?"

ROGERS WILL GO AFTER LAURELS AT ORMOND WITH TWO STEAMERS

BY J. C. KERRISON.

Ernest Rogers of Brookline has purchased two steamers with which he expects to capture great laurels at the forthcoming Ormond race meet. One of these is one of the two steamers which were to have been finished in season for the recent Vandervilt, and the other a car of much less horse power. In speaking of his contemplated work on the Ormond course Rogers yesterday said he anticipated some interesting struggles, to say the least. He did not believe that he was going to clean up the entire field, but he would do his best to prove victorious in the different events he may enter. He felt fully satisfied that he had two machines which will travel some. "Take the big car, for instance," said Rogers. "I am pretty well satisfied that she will do 100 miles an hour, and on short distances she will do even better than that. I have seen her do 120 miles already, but what she can do on a straightaway like Ormond I am not prepared to state. The car will be delivered to me at the beach, after she has been placed in thorough condition, and I firmly believe that she will do the five miles within two minutes. If she does that I will be perfectly satisfied with my purchase. The little car is of course not so speedy as the big fellow. Still she will be able to go some, and give those gasoline men a run for their money. Of course I shall drive my own car. Do you think I am one of those fellows who buy racing machines for the benefit of others, just to see another man operate them. I buy cars to drive myself, and in all the events the car is entered I shall be at the wheel."

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Al Davis, formerly of the firm of Gray & Davis of Amesbury, was given a surprise last Saturday evening, when all of the employes of his old firm made a purely social call upon him, bringing with them a silver loving cup to testify to the friendship and esteem in which they hold him. Mr. Davis was surprised and for the first time in his life was taken at a disadvantage. Although Mr. Davis has retired from business the firm name will not be changed.

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The proposed Motor boat race from Miami, Florida, to Nassau, Bahamas, or "from flag to flag" may now be considered a certainty. Sir William Gray-Wilson, Governor of the Bahamas, has taken a keen interest in the proposed race, while the United States arrangements are in the hands of Mayor John Sewell of Miami, and a citizens' committee which will work in conjunction with the Biscayne Yacht Club and the Miami Motoring Association. The proposed course, which is 160 statute miles, leads from Miami across the Gulf Stream and thence across the Bahamas banks. The course was laid out by representatives of Nassau and Miami assisted by Captain White of the steamer Miami which runs between Miami and Nassau during the Winter.

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Colonel George Pope, who is chairman of the show committee of the Association of Licensed Automobile Manufacturers, and owns an unknown number of motor cars, rides a bicycle every day that is clear.

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While the Europeans are pretty free at talking about Yankee tricks, the foreign automobile makers are not unpracticed hands at passing the lemon. This the wise ones discovered when they inspected the "1907 models" of imported cars at the Automobile Club show in New York. It is a great deal to ask them to have 1907 cars here in fact before the Paris show, but it seemed hard not to have them here at least in name. One way for buyers to protect themselves from this sort of thing is to be familiar with the changes in design, another is to keep track and know how high are the current factory numerals. The real 1907 models of foreign cars are shipped here after the Paris Salon, in time for the regular Madison Square Garden show in January, as they will be this year.

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This year has witnessed a surprising number of new firms entering the automobile industry. Some are well backed financially and will no doubt endeavor to make first-class cars, but the scrap heap of a new automobile factory is a voracious creature. To others, the slang query, "Where do you get off?" would seem to be immediately appropriate. They would be hard put to it if demand was made upon them to show the factory behind the car.

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It is said that to protect themselves the Stanley steamer people are buying back their own patents from the Locomobile Company.

PARKER CAPTAIN OF HARVARD ELEVEN

Bartol Parker, '08, has been elected captain of the Harvard football team for next year by a unanimous vote of the team.

Parker lives at South Lancaster and fitted for college at Milton Academy, where he captained the football team in his last two years and in his last year was captain and centre on the All-American interscholastic eleven.

He has played centre on the Crimson team for the last three yeras.

Boston American's Skating Bulletin.

Spy Pond, Arlington	Good
Hammond's Pond	Good
Riverside	Good
Scarboro Pond, Franklin Park	Fair
Kendrick's Bridge	Good
Commonwealth Pond	Good
Brae Burn Pond	Good
Charles River, Dedham	Good
Frog Pond, Common	Fair
Public Garden	Good
Wood Island Park	Fair
Cow Island Pond, Spring street	Good
Sudbury River, Wayland and Bedford	Good
Concord River, Concord	Good
Brookline Reservoir	Fair

GIANTS TO TRAIN ON THE COAST

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Never has a New York baseball club undertaken such an extensive training tour as that which the Giants will make in the Spring. Assembling at Chicago, February 24, the players will go to Los Angeles, Cal., where they will begin their Spring work on March 1, and will remain in that city for about three weeks. John J. McGraw, the manager of the nine, left New York to-day for Los Angeles to arrange accommodations.

After the first ten days at Los Angeles the management will arrange some exhibition games on the slope. Both Oakland and San Francisco have applied for dates and the Giants will be seen in both cities.

On the way home the Giants will meet the St. Louis American League team at San Antonio, Texas, and will play with the Browns in that city on March 23 and 24. From there the players will go direct to New Orleans, where a series has been arranged with the Philadelphia American League players for March 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31. It will be the first time that the Giants and the Athletics have played together since their series for the world's championship in 1905.

After leaving New Orleans the team will go to Montgomery, Ala., and play there on April 1. Nashville will be visited on April 2, Louisville on April 3, Columbus, Ohio, on April 4 and Wheeling, W. Va., on April 5. After the game in West Virginia the team will come straight to the Polo Ground and play a Spring exhibition game with Yale. The players will then return to the South, playing in Richmond, Va., until the regular National League season begins.

SUMMONS FOR 18 LINCOLN A. C. MEN

The State police took further action yesterday against the Lincoln A. C., the Chelsea boxing club, when eighteen summonses were served on the promoters of the club, the principals and their seconds, who took part in the meeting held last week. They will be returnable on Thursday morning, when the case comes up in the Chelsea Court, when Ahern and Purcell, two of the preliminary boxers, are to appear on the charge of assault and battery.

SUTTON BEAT HOPPE AT 18-2 FOR THE TITLE

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—George Sutton, the 18.2 balk line billiard champion, demonstrated his right to the title by defeating "Willie" oHppe, the 18.1 balk line champion, by a score of 500 to 258, in the Grand Central Palace last night. The winner's average was a fraction more than 26, while Hoppe had to be content with an average of a fraction under 14.

The game was of a listless, unemotional kind, void of brilliancy or stirring features, Hoppe, except in the sixteenth inning, when he ran 78, seemed always under constraint, and his execution lacked the free confidence which is so marked when in his top form.

Sutton played his usually careful game, and, although the cloth of the table seemed dead, he was sufficiently resourceful to run 107 in his first inning and 59 in his next.

PAID JOHN L. $1,200 TO PITCH ONE GAME

Cincinati, Dec. 19.—Twelve hundred dollars to pitch one game. According to Business Manager Brancroft of the Cincinnatis, that is the record figure of pay for two hours' work on the ball field.

"It was back in 1886, when I was managing the Providence team, that I handed out $1,200 to a twirler for an afternoon's performance on the rubber," remarked "Banny," "and the man was not a star twirler at that. At the time I mention the most popular man in America was John L. Sullivan, who is in Cincinnati this week. John loved his art mightily, but seemed to like baseball better, and there never was a chance for him to see a game that he didn't take advantage of it.

"Well, it happened that he was in Providence at the time we were playing there, and as our place in the race was practically settled, it being the close of the season, I went to Sullivan with a proposition to give him one-half of the gate receipts if he would pitch for us. If I had asked him to pitch for nothing he would have done it just as willingly. Well, he performed that afternoon, and I believe won his game. When he came to count up we found that the receipts were $2,400, Sullivan's fifty per cent. netting him $1,200. That I believe, is the biggest price ever paid for the service of a man for one game in the history of baseball in America.

"Sullivan was a great friend of all the old baseball stars, and also is on the best of terms with some of the younger heroes of the diamond. The late Buck Ewing and the late Harry Weldon were great friends of Sullivan, and whenever the Reds were anywhere in Sullivan's vicinity he never failed to call upon the manager and the sporting writer."

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ONLY THREE MORE DAYS IN WHICH TO WRITE SANTA CLAUS AND WIN A PRIZE

No Letter Will Be Received After Saturday

ONLY a few more days left, children, to write letters to Santa Claus.

Santa Claus has decided not to receive any letters after Saturday. Things are piling up on him so by this time that he will not be able to attend to the Christmas letters after the end of the week and make sure, at the same time, of getting out all his presents on time.

He has simply got to have a rest, too, before he starts on his Christmas rounds. He is working at top speed now and the letters keep coming in so fast that he can hardly keep up with them.

So Saturday is announced as the very last day on which letters will be received. This gives you only three days more, children, in which to get your letters to him.

Remember, children, to address the letters to Santa Claus, P. O. Box No. 227, Boston, Mass., else your letters will not get to him at all.

By the way, children, Santa Claus notices a tendency on the part of the children to tell a lot about what they want and not so much what they want Santa Claus to bring other folks.

Remember, these letters for which the daily prize of $2 (two) is offered, is to tell what you want Santa Claus to bring, not only to yourself, but also to grandpa, grandma, papa, mamma, brother, sister and the baby.

Some little boys and girls begin with a long list for themselves and then wind up with a little list of a few things the folks might like, just as though the writer happened to think of it the last minute.

That isn't the true Christmas spirit, children.

If you haven't written Santa Claus yet, then do it without delay, if you wish to get your letter to him. Write on only one side of the paper, make your letter as short as possible, be sure and sign your name and address and don't forget Santa Claus's correct address as well.

What Boys and Girls Want for Christmas

Yesterday's Prize Winner

LILLIAN DAY,
Seven years old.
No. 25 Brookford st., Boston.

COME EARLY, PLEASE

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
Will you plase bring these things to me if I am a good girl? I would like a bed for my doll. Can grandpa have a strong cane, because he has the rheumatism? Grandma would like a nice jacket to wear around the house. Father wants a silk umbrella. For mamma a pair of gloves; for sister a gold locket with her monogram, if you please; brother would like a steam engine; baby would like a bonnet to keep her head warm. Come early Christmas night. Your little friend,
MINNIE WAITE.
Hubbardston.

COAT FOR MAMMA

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I should be very glad if I could get a warm coat for mamma and a pair of rubber boots for papa. I have three brothers, and should like a pair of skates for each. For my sister I should like a doll house. I should like a rubber doll for baby and a sled for myself. Grandpa and grandma are dead.
LAWRENCE NILSON, 11 years old,
No. 27 Lincoln street, Mattapan.

HERSELF LAST

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
My papa would like a pair of kid gloves, my mama a box of handkerchiefs and my biggest brother, you know, would like a pair of skates, and my two little brothers would like a few games, and my one-year-old baby sister would like a doll and carriage. I, myself, would like a nice book and a set of furs.
LILLIAN GOODBY, 11 years old.
No. 92 Highland street, Chelsea.

READY FOR WADING

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
Christmas will soon be here, so I am going to write you, dear old Santa, to tell you what I want and what my brothers want and what my grandma wants. I would like a pair of rubber boots. Arthur wants a magic lantern, Melvin wants a sled, Arnold wants a drum and please bring my little baby sister a dollie.

My mamma wants a pair of felt slippers. Papa wants a pair of gloves. My grandma wants a new tea set, and please bring grandpa a watch. Good-by, Santa, from
GEORGE SKINNER.
No. 18 Mead street, Allston.

VERY INTERESTING

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
Seeing your kind offer in the BOSTON AMERICAN I became very interesting in it. I thought I would ask for a fur and a pair of kid gloves. Mamma wants a pair of house slippers, papa wants a smoking set, brother wants a pair of skates and sister wants a pair of shoes. Well, Santa Claus, this is the best I can do, for I am only a little girl. I remain,
ROSE WHITE, 9 years old.
No. 4 Duddy avenue, Waltham.

GIVE TO THE OTHERS

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
Please do not send me many things, because I want you to give them to my sister and Edward. I have had lots of things, and they want some now. Mamma gives me money, and I can give people things. I thank you for all the things you have given me. I think mamma would like a new skirt, papa a pair of pants and Mary a doll, and Edward a ball, and Roger some skates, and Nellie a pair of kid gloves, and I would like some skates. Your loving little boy,
LOUIS BERTRAND KEANE, 7 years old,
No. 135 Cedar street, Roxbury.

A KISS FOR A SEAL

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I will seal this with a nice kiss for Santa Claus. I want a nice pair of house slippers and a nice easy chair. Baby breaks all mamma's glasses. I think she would like a dozen nice glasses. Brother is so good to poor mamma. I know he expects a magic lantern. Sister is only four years old, and would like a dollie and a set of dishes, and baby wants some nice warm clothes for Winter. Love and kisses from
GERTRUDE FITZGERALD.
Somerville.

FOLLOW LAST CHRISTMAS

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I have been thinking for about the last two weeks what I wanted for Christmas and what some other people want.

You know you gave me a lovely brown scarf for my neck last Christmas, so this time I want a muff.

Mama wants a set of brown furs, papa handkerchiefs, sister coat and bonnet, grammy a cape and grampa a coat.

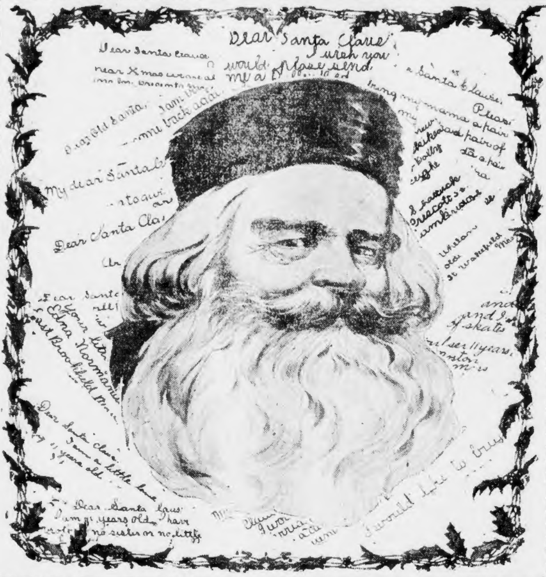
Will close with lots of love.
JUNE PICKERING, 11 years old.
Somerville.

WANTS KID GLOVES

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
Mamma would like a new set of furs, papa would like a pair of kid gloves, my brother would like a sled, my sister would like a new doll, my baby would like a horse. I haven't any grandfather or grandmother, but I would like a new pair of gloves.
ANNA MOONEY.
11 years old.
No. 23 Olmstead street, Jamaica Plain.

REMEMBERS ALL

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:
I am only a little girl, but want to write you a letter. Now, for my sister Anna, a rag doll and a set of nice soldiers. Mary wants a big doll, a carriage and doll house. Francis wants a set of furs, skates and books. For mamma, house slippers and a house gown. Papa wishes a warm knitted jacket; grandma, bedroom slippers; grandpa, nice pipe and cane. For myself, leather leggings, blackboard, set of furs and kid gloves. I will now close my letter. Your respectfully,
MARGARET MULLANE.
Lawrence.


Dear Santa Claus
I wish you would please send
My dear Santa
Dear Santa Claus
Dear Santa Claus: I am 9 years old. I have no sister or no little
I would like to buy

LET FUN INTO YOUR HOME

DON'T be afraid of a little fun at home. Don't shut your house lest the sun should fade your carpets and your hearts lest a hearty laugh shake down some musty old cobwebs there.

If you wish to ruin your sons let them think that all mirth and social enjoyment must be left on the threshold without when they come home at night! Young people must have fun and relaxation somewhere. If they do not find it at their own hearthstones it will be sought at other less profitable places.

Therefore make the homestead delightful with all those little arts which parents so perfectly understand.

Don't repress the buoyant spirits of your children; half an hour's merriment round the fireside at home blots out the remembrance of many a care and annoyance during the day, and the best safeguard they can take with them into the world is the influence of a bright little domestic sanction.

HOME MADE STARCH.

ONE of the simplest forms of starching in a case of sudden need is the use of borax water. A quarter of a teaspoonful of borax in half a teacupful of cold water will give a dressing like new to embroidered cuffs and collars, or even those made of linen. Dip the article you wish to starch in the dissolved borax, wring and roll in a dry cloth for a few moments, then iron.

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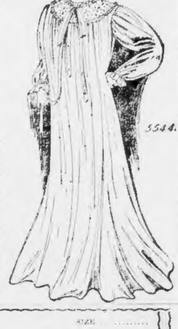

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Easy Rules That Will Insure a Good Complexion for Any Woman

Proper Diet, Moderate Exercise and Common-Sense Care of the Skin Are the Main Essentials

FLORID complexions should be treated by careful dieting. With some people a red skin is hereditary, but in most instances it is caused by overeating and drinking, and may be greatly modified by hygienic treatment.

With regard to meat, preference should be given to lamb, mutton, poultry, rabbits and the like. Beef, pork, made dishes, rich soups and all stimulating foods should be avoided. Fish, milk, puddings and fruit, especially those of an acid kind, are to be well recommended.

No wine or spirits should be taken. Strong coffee and malt liquors should also be avoided. Tight-lacing tends to increase the trouble. Exercise is very necessary. Daily walking is good, also a course of physical exercises may be taken with great advantage.

Use of Powder

It is quite a mistake to imagine that all face powder is injurious to the skin. Some certainly tends to make the skin red, and powder with a metallic basis is best avoided, but a good vegetable toilet powder, if properly applied, is really good for the skin rather than otherwise. It forms a protection to the skin in cold weather, and is also a preventive of sunburn and tan.

Powder should never under any circumstances be rubbed into the skin; but lightly puffed over it with a piece of cotton wool or a swansdown puff. Applied in this way it does not clog the pores. The face should always be washed at night with hot water.

A reliable powder may be made of starch powder, four ounces; rice flour, one and a half ounce; orris powder, half an ounce; cassia extract, three-quarters of a dram; jasmine extract, half a dram. Mix well. If a pink tint is liked, add a little powdered carmine.

A Good Cold Cream

A dry skin must be fed. What it lacks in moisture must be given to it in the form of a skin food. A good cold cream may be made at home by mixing together four ounces of oil of almonds, half an ounce of white wax and the same of spermaceti.

Put the materials in a jar and set in a saucepan of water over a slow fire. Constantly mix until a smooth liquid is the result. Then add two ounces of orange-flower water, stirring until it is well mixed with the rest. Then put away in a toilet jar to set.

For application always use the fingers, and with them rub in a small quantity until it disappears or is absorbed. Very gentle action of the fingers is most necessary, and there must not be any hard or quick rubbing.

Something to be remembered is that most of the animal oils are likely to produce a growth of hair upon the face, whereas vegetable ones, such as almond or olive oil, are perfectly harmless.

With regard to glycerine for the face, great care must be exercised about its use. Pure glycerine will cause more pain than relief. Test it by applying a little to the tip of the tongue, and the sensation is that of burning. The result is the same if applied pure to the face, and some mothers and nurses have been known to apply it pure to the chafed skin of small children and infants, the result often causing great pain.

Glycerine should always be mixed with an equal quantity of water. In this form it may be applied to the most tender surface without producing injury. Also in this way it does not dry up, maintaining the part in a moist condition, excluding the air, and promoting healing at the same time.

Thirdly, comes the sensitive skin and that which becomes spotted without any apparent reason. The possessor of such a skin should eat little meat but plenty of vegetables, salads, fruit, fish and poultry. Spirits, wines, beer and stout she must never touch.

Home-made lemonade is a good drink for her, and it should not be too sweet. Sleep in a well-ventilated room and now and then take a mild aperient, such as a teaspoonful of salts in half a tumbler of hot water, adding a few drops of peppermint with half a teaspoonful of glycerine.

Delicate skins subject to eruption require a little vaseline at night with a slight powdering of boric acid, after washing gently in hot water.

GOOD THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT

WASHING watercress in salt and water will kill and remove any insects among the leaves.

Steel and iron articles can be kept free from rust by dipping them in a solution of potash.

Swallow a raw egg immediately a fish bone has stuck in your throat and it will remove it.

To loosen the stopper of a bottle or decanter, rub a little salad oil round and hold it in hot water.

Mix black lead with cold tea instead of water. This will produce a brilliant polish with much less labor.

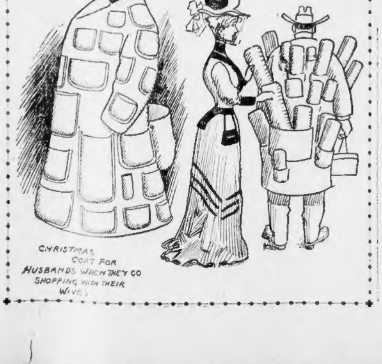
Soak potatoes when peeled in cold water for about two hours. This will render them white when cooked.

To clean jewelry, either gold or silver, use ammonia and water, allowing one teaspoonful of ammonia to every teacupful of water. When washed rub with a rag and polish with a chamois leather.

USEFUL SEATS

IN every house there are boxes, travelling trunks, etc., which some of us are obliged to have in our bedrooms, for the average house or flat does not rise to the dignity of a storeroom. Wherever they may be, they are an eyesore. But a tight-fitting cover of sateen or cretonne will transform them, if not into things of beauty, at least into something more pleasing to the eye than originally, especially if the colors be chosen with due regard to the other surroundings.

Artist Powers Invents an Overcoat for Husbands for Christmas Shopping


CHRISTMAS COAT FOR HUSBANDS WHEN THEY GO SHOPPING WITH THEIR WIVES

Quarrels Dash the Needed Spice Into the Wedding Cake

By Winifred Black

MARRIAGE is the most successful of any human institution that has ever been in existence since the morning stars sang together. There are a few divorces, a few legal separations, a few marital murders, and some marital quarrels, but marriage itself is the happiest, sanest, most reasonable and most livable state of existence in all human experience. It was in the beginning, is now, and I hope it ever shall be.

How many unhappily married people do you know? I don't mean how many have you read about or heard about or wondered about, but how many do you, yourself, actually know?

Have you a hundred married acquaintances? Well, out of that hundred I'll warrant that at least ninety couples are glad they're married and wouldn't change partners for any consideration on earth. Were your father and mother happily married? Are you happily married? Is your brother contented with his home life?

Well, then, what in the world are you talking about? Why do you go on parroting this unhappy marriage business until you almost make yourself believe that a happy marriage is the exception?

Not An Exception

IT is not the exception, it is the rule. The ordinary, everyday man wouldn't trade his ordinary, everyday wife for the greatest beauty in America, and the contented little woman next door wouldn't exchange her stupid, commonplace husband for the veriest Adonis that ever lived; no, not even for you.

The only thing that makes life worth living at all to nine men out of ten is marriage and the blessings that come with marriage.

Marriage and married happiness are the only things of any importance at all in the average woman's life.

I know an old maid who says she always believes in marriage until she goes to visit some of her married relatives.

Poor thing! She takes every tempest in a teapot for a fearful storm, and does not realize that it is only the stupidly unhappy married people who don't care enough for each other to have a delicious quarrel now and then.

Poor Bachelors!

THAT'S one of the things marriage is for. I wouldn't live with a man a week if I had to promise never to quarrel with him. He's the one person on earth I can quarrel with, and like him all the better for it. He's the one person on earth I can speak my mind to, and I'm the one person on earth to whom he can tell his troubles and know that the telling of them draws us closer together instead of driving us farther apart.

Poor old maid, what do you do when you're tired and cross and have the neuralgia? Do you have to keep right on smiling all the time and never slam a door or make a face at any one? I'd die of repressed ill-temper if I didn't have a husband to be cross with once in a while.

Poor old bachelor, do you ever get a chance to tell some one that you've failed; that you've made a mistake; that you aren't as big as you thought you were?

And is that some one so proud of you and so full of belief in you that she smiles back every word you say, until you begin to believe in yourself again?

What's the matter with marriage? Bless my soul, there's nothing the matter with marriage at all—only it doesn't begin early enough in life and last long enough, that's all.

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POTATO STRAWS

PEEL and cut four large potatoes into thin slices; lay several slices over one another and cut them into strips like straws; lay them in cold water. Shortly before serving drain and dry the potatoes on a towel, drop them into hot fat and fry light brown. Care must be taken not to put too many in at one time. Remove them with a skimmer to an upturned sieve, sprinkle over with salt, and serve.
MISS L. E. SHEPHERD.
Corinna, Me.

MOULDED SNOW

DISSOLVE three tablespoons of corn starch in a little water, sugar to taste, a little salt, stir together and add to it one pint of boiling water. Cook ten minutes, constantly stirring; when nearly cool beat the whites of two eggs stiff and fold in the mixture.

SAUCE.

Yolks of two eggs, one cup granulated sugar, one-half cup of hot milk; flavor with vanilla or sherry wine. This is very delicate.
ELLA F. RYDER.
No. 36 South Ash street, New Bedford.

CORN FRITTERS

TO two cups of cold sweet corn cut from the cob, or canned corn, finely chopped, add one cup of milk, the yolks of two eggs, a pinch of salt and one cup of flour. Beat well, then add the beaten whites of two eggs and one teaspoon of baking powder. Drop by spoonfuls into deep hot fat and fry brown.
MRS. JOHNSON.
Box 145, Crompton, R. I.

CHOCOLATE COOKIES

ONE-HALF cup of butter, one cup of sugar, one tablespoon of lard, pinch of salt, one-half teaspoon cinnamon, two ounces of melted chocolate or four teaspoons of cocoa, one-half teaspoon of soda dissolved in two tablespoons of milk, two and a half cups of flour. Roll thin and bake in hot oven. Very nice.
MRS. J. M. WINN.
No. 27 Medford street, Medford.

TAPIOCA PUDDING

PEARL tapioca, one-quarter cup; one pint milk, two egg yolks, one and one-half tablespoons sugar, one-half teaspoon butter, one and one-half teaspoons lemon extract or any flavoring preferred. Soak tapioca in a little water for two or three hours, then add yolks, milk and sugar, and cook on stove until thickened. Add butter when nearly cold, and flavoring afterward; beat the egg whites stiff and make a meringue with four tablespoons of sugar; drop over the pudding and put in oven until a light brown.
MRS. WILLIAM H. WALTER.
Bristol, R. I.

ADVICE TO THE LOVELORN

By Beatrice Fairfax

A SELFISH HUSBAND

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:
I am a young married woman, have been married only two years, and have a boy nearly a year old. Do you think it right for my husband to take his sister out to the theatre, etc., while I have to stay at home all alone every night until 11 and 12 o'clock? On Sunday he goes out in the morning and I don't see him again until late that night, after he has been out having a good time with his sister. He has no bad habits at all—does not drink or smoke—only this going out so much and leaving me at home all alone with the baby.

I keep my home as clean and comfortable as any wife could possibly do. Can you give me any reasons for his actions toward me?
AN ANXIOUS WIFE.

YOU have a selfish husband and a thoughtless, selfish sister-in-law. The only thing to do is to tell your husband quietly and firmly that you cannot put up with such treatment; that your rights come first, and that if he loves you and the baby he must stay with you more than he does. Why cannot you and husband and his sister all go out together? You see, she is young and has no cares, and has time to go about with him. I think you can smooth matters out if you go the right way about it.

IMPERTINENT YOUNG MAN

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:
I am a young girl of seventeen and am deeply interested in a young man whom I often see on Commonwealth avenue. He always looks at me, and says, "Good afternoon, Beauty," but I never speak. Do you think it would be wrong for me to speak the next time I see him, as I love him dearly and I am sure he loves me.
M. L.

INDEED it would be most wrong of you to take any notice of him whatever. He is very impertinent, and if you notice him it will only encourage him. He has no right to speak to you, and it would be better for you to keep away from the place where you generally meet. His speaking to you in that way is no compliment; it is merely insolence.

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DEATH NOTICES.

CONNERY—In Somerville, Dec. 17, Bridget (nee [illegible]), beloved wife of Michael J. Connery.
Funeral from her son's residence, 15 Elsworth st., off Cross st., Thursday, Dec. 20, at 8:15. Requiem high mass at St. Ann's Church, Medford st., at 9 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

CONNELL—In South Boston, Dec. 18, at her late residence, 56 I st., Ellen Connell.
Notice of funeral later.

DAVIN—In Jamaica Plain, Dec. 17, Matthew J. Davin, one of Boston's oldest telegraphers.
Funeral from his late residence, 52 Sheridan st., Thursday, Dec. 20, at 8:15 a. m. Services at Church of the Blessed Sacrament at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends kindly invited to be present.

DOOLITTLE—In Dorchester, Dec. 18, at his late residence, 774 Dudley st., Warren H. Doolittle, 49 yrs.
Notice of funeral later.

GALVIN—In Neponset, Dec. 18, Ellen, widow of the late Michael Galvin.
Funeral from the residence of her son, Edward Galvin, 5 Bertram st., Thursday, Dec. 20, at 8.30 a. m. Services at St. Anne's Church at 9:30. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

HUNT—At Weymouth, Dec. 17, Charles P. Hunt, 64 yrs. 5 mos.
Funeral from his late residence, Thursday, Dec. 20. Relatives and friends invited without further notice.

LARKIN—In Medford, Dec. 17, Isabell J., beloved wife of the late Patrick Larkin.
Services at her late residence, 16 Liberty av., Thursday, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends are invited. Rochester, N. Y., papers please copy.

LEARY—In Roslindale, Dec. 18, Michael J., beloved husband of Catherine Leary (nee Fennell), 54 yrs. Late member of the Boston Fire Department; on account of injuries received, Mr. Leary was pensioned in 1902.
Funeral from his late residence, 20 Cohasset st., Thursday, Dec. 20, at 9:15 a. m. Solemn high mass at Sacred Heart Church, Roslindale, at 10 o'clock. Relatives and friends kindly invited to attend.

MACKEY—In South Boston, Dec. 18, Annie Mackey, 54 yrs.
Funeral from her late residence, 627 E. 6th st., Thursday, at 8:30 o'clock a. m. High mass at the Gate of Heaven Church at 9 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

McCARTHY—In Roxbury, Dec. 17, Frederick J., beloved husband of Martha McCarthy (nee Reagan), and son of James and the late Margaret McCarthy.
Funeral from his father's residence, 223 Blue Hill av., Thursday, Dec. 20, at 8 a. m. Requiem high mass at St. John's Church, Blue Hill av., at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend.

SMITH—In Concord, Mass., Dec. 17, Rebecca Brooks, widow of Joseph A. Smith.
Funeral Thursday, Dec. 20, at 2 o'clock.

TRACY—In Weymouth, Dec. 17, Mary E., beloved daughter of the late Andrew Tracy.
Funeral from her late residence, 8 Stetson st., Thursday, Dec. 20, at 9 a. m. Requiem mass at the Church of the Sacred Heart at 9:30 o'clock. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

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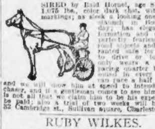

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NO TRUCE IN OUR FIGHT WITH THE PIANO TRUST
We Will Not Agree to Raise Prices During the Christmas Sales.

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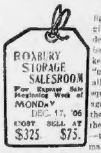

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In our long and hard, money losing fight with the Piano Trust we have never given our friends, the people, an unfair deal. We have lived up to all our promises. We have fulfilled our agreements, kept all our contracts to the letter and "made good" when called upon to do so all our guarantees, warrants, etc. A square deal to the public and a fair fight against the Piano Trust. Now, when the Christmas Holiday Season is here, the Trust wants a cessation of hostilities—the patching up of a truce so that they may pluck the public when it is buying quickly and carelessly. We have spurned the offer, and will continue to fight against their extortionate demands. We will never lend our name and business honor to the upholding of the fictitious values attached to their pianos. We will batter them down when and where we can. We promise you who have been thinking of buying a piano of us that the price will be a trifle less during the holidays instead of more. If you have common sense don't buy any piano before at least investigating The Roxbury Storage Salesrooms' sacrifice piano sales.

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Kranich & Bach Upright	61.50
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Chickering Upright...	51.00
Ivers & Pond........	73.00
Vose Upright........	60.00
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A FIREMAN wants situation in Boston, strictly temperate and can give first-class references; wages $15.00. CHARLES KEIRSTEAD, Natick, Mass.

A YOUNG MAN, 24 years, desires a position as a collector; good references; knows perfectly English, German, Russian, Polish and other languages. L. J. ALTMAN, 12 Barton st., Boston.

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AS JANITOR, fireman, night watchman; experience 13 years. E. BINNETT, 47 Fulda st., Rox.

BUTLER wishes a situation as butler or valet; 7½ years, excellent references. D. DENNEHY, 204 Oak st., Lawrence, Mass.

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CHEF, good on meat and pastry, good carver and caterer, hotel, cafe or genteel boarding house. CHEF, 34 Bennet st., suite 7, city.

DESIGNER wants situation for jacquard and dobby designing (cotton), 25 years' experience, strictly temperate; designs submitted on request. A. WARD, 73 Swanton st., Winchester, Mass.

DRUGGIST, several years' experience, best references, moderate compensation. W. J. DORIE, 69 Bradstreet av., Beachmont, Mass.

FIRST-CLASS CARPENTER wants work, experience, jobbing, all-round; will work reasonably. MILLER, 82 Thorndike st.

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MAN, 25, wants work of any kind. Address F. M., 1,222 Cambridge st., Cambridge.

POSITION WANTED on practical poultry farm with chance to learn business thoroughly. A. W. LEWIS, Orleans, Mass.

SITUATION wanted by single, exp. middle-aged American, no liquor or tobacco, general hotel work and hostler, collect or deliver on milk route or drive team, out of Boston. H. G. C., 5 Allston pl., Boston.

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WOODWORK POLISHER wants a position, four years experience in the business. S. SELMAN, 15 Albans st., Boston.

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BUY NOW, SELL NEXT SPRING and make profit of $300; in other words double your money; lots $700 to $800, $150 cash; no interest, no taxes, water, sewer, gas, electric lights; situated in most aristocratic part of this delightful suburb. EDWARD T. HARRINGTON CO., 293 Washington st., Boston.

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OUR LIST of prospective cash buyers is [illegible] to some in the N. E. states, [illegible] to sell you can do no better than [illegible] with us; we charge you nothing [illegible] your property, and then only the regular commission; send for description blank at once that your farm may be listed in time to be inserted in our new catalogue soon to go to press; WE CAN SELL YOUR FARM. MOULTON FARM AGENCY, successors to Stevens Farm Agency, 18 Tremont st., Boston.

SOUTH BOSTON.
2 BRICK APARTMENT HOUSES, corner location, store, newly painted and papered, all in perfect condition; must be sold this week to settle estate; any reasonable offer [illegible]; best location in South Boston; [illegible]. LYONS, 89 Court st., room 2. Tel. 1836-1 Hay.

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ASSESSED $3,500; house 8 rooms, bath, set tubs, gas, furnace, fireplace, good repairs, in first-class repair; ready for immediate occupancy; near station, electrics and schools; good neighborhood. EDWARD T. HARRINGTON CO.

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BUYS a beautiful home, either single or 2-family. ATKINS, 43 Tremont st., room 402, Boston.

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STORE on first floor and 5 rooms above, bath, furnace, hot and cold water; $500 down. C. E. JENNINGS, 444 Broadway, Everett; 1004 Old South Bldg., Boston.

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PAYING excellently? I must retire from active work on order of my physician; I will sell the whole or part of an old established and good paying business to the right party; I would prefer to take a partner; grand opening for a lady with capital; business long established, paying big and increasing; write for particulars; no brokers. T 231, Boston American.

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WE HAVE thousands of business openings on our books not advertised; call at our office and look over our list of bargains. BARRY & CO., 552 Tremont st., cor. Waltham st.; the brokers with bank and newspaper references. Boston.

$250 BUYS a general variety store, well fitted up, selling cigars, tobacco, confectionery, newspapers and quick lunch; two living rooms; a sacrifice; call on us for this. GALE & CO.

LODGING HOUSES in all locations in Boston, from $350 up; will sell on time or cash. GALE & CO., 47 Court st., Boston.

$1,800—CONFECTIONERY and bakery, few miles out; new innovation; fountain cost $1,000; doing $300 week. WILKINS & OWENS.

$325—LUNCH, busy street, near Dewey sq.; clearing $20 week; short hours. WILKINS & OWENS, 43 Tremont st., Boston.

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FOR SALE or exchange, pool room and tobacco store, including fixtures, cash register, etc.; established 25 years, in fine location on Washington st.; will sell or trade immediately on account of ill-health. M 397, Boston American.

Lodging House Bargains This Week
ON ALL the best streets, Boston and suburbs, 10 to 25 rooms; steam heat, well furnished; $300 to $1,000; we buy for cash and sell on time; small payment down, bal. from the profits; title guaranteed; call and see us before buying; you will save money. STUART, 43 School st., Boston.

VARIETY STORE, in Cambridge, with 2 living rooms, good clean stock, all in good condition, must be sold this week, no reasonable offer refused. LYONS, 89 Court st. Tel 1836-1 Hay.

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$12,000—HOTEL, 70 rooms, all mod. imp., elegantly furnished, bar lic., $1,600 mo.; can arrange a good mortgage. RILEY & CO.

$3,500—PROTECTED news agency; best suburb of Boston; bus. $350 wkly; nice large store, well stocked; well established. RILEY, 3 Tremont Row, Boston.

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Grocery and Provision Store
FOR SALE in Cambridge; good business; well stocked; price $800. Apply to M. FITZPATRICK, 43 Norris st., No. Cambridge, Mass.

PROVISION STORE, in Roxbury, will sell for $777, including horse and wagon; appraised at $1,200; run by present owner 12 years. H. C. YOUNG, 73 Tremont st., room 648.

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HELP WANTED—Female.

Wanted by
HOUGHTON & DUTTON CO.
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100 Bundle Girls 14 to 16 yrs. of age
100 Experienced Saleswomen

DODGE-SPEAR CO.
607-617 Washington St.,
WANT 100 SALESLADIES
Apply to Supt., Mr. Nye.

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BRIGHT, active girls, 17 to 19 years old, to learn pattern work on lace curtains; salary $4 per week to start, with opportunity to earn $5 to $9 after a little experience; steady work and early closing Saturday the entire year. WELLINGTON PIERCE CO., 368 Congress st.

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A LADY WITHOUT A BUST is like a garden without a flower; Dr. Conway's Illusion enlarges bust 4 to 10 inches, without injury; $1,000 if we cannot; send facts 4c. stamps. CONWAY SPECIFIC CO., 396 Washington st., Boston.

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IT IS WORTH $5 CASH TO YOU.
And if presented any day this week will be accepted as "$5 CASH PAYMENT" on the full course tuition in either the DRESSMAKING OR MILLINERY departments of our college, "OLDEST AND MOST RELIABLE DRESSMAKING AND MILLINERY SCHOOL IN BOSTON," "INDIVIDUAL INSTRUCTION," "NO CLASS TEACHING," "REGULAR MATERIALS" used in teaching; "DAY SCHOOL" from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.; "EVENING SCHOOL," Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7 to 9 p. m. Call or write for circular before deciding; "POSITIONS GUARANTEED;" "BEGIN NOW" and save $5 cash on your tuition. THE LADIES' TAILOR DRESSMAKING AND MILLINERY COLLEGE, 211 Tremont st., Boston, Mass.

EXPERIENCED tucker, trimmer and presser; one worked in laundry preferred; on ladies' silk and lawn waists. WHITE STAR MFG. CO., 105 Summer st.

GIRL WANTED for general housework in small family; must be willing and honest; Protestant preferred; wages $2.50 per week. L. R. GALLAGHER, 815 Broadway, Everett, Mass.

GENERAL HOUSEWORK girl in small family; no washing; pleasant home. Call 12 Thetford av., Dorchester Centre.

LADIES, to make sanitary belts, material all cut ready to sew, $1.20 per dozen, particulars stamped envelope. LENOX CO., Dept. B 71, Chicago.

LADIES, reliable home work, stamping novelties, day or evening, $1.50 dozen. 564 Wash. st., room 63.

LADIES EARN $6 to $8 week working home spare time, material furnished, experience unnecessary. Call 496 Washington st., seventh floor.

LADIES—Do piecework, spare time, fancy work, steady, remunerative. TAPESTRY CO., 28 School st.

McDOWELL DRESSMAKING SCHOOL—Dressmaking taught free, free—2 weeks free to all registering this week; we teach cutting, fitting, making and finishing of street, evening and tailor-made dresses; pupils soon learn to make their own dresses stylish and becoming; McDowell's perfect system fits every form, follows all fashions, the only improvement on the tailor's square; indorsed by the U. S. Government and used by the best dressmakers everywhere; day and evening schools; we cut perfect fitting patterns to measure; enter now for Fall styles and good positions; visitors welcome at McDOWELL'S SCHOOL, 25 Winter st.

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MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

FOR SALE—Silver-plated B flat cornet, in first-class condition; Konig model. Address WM. H. YOUNG, care of N. E. Sanitarium, Melrose, Mass.

VIOLINS AND CAMERAS wanted, second hand, highest price paid. N. E. LOAN CO., 2,012 Washington st.

INFORMATION WANTED.

DOMESTIC troubles, without everybody knowing, quickly; strictly private; advice free. LAWYER W. L. HOWARD, 47 Court st., Boston.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Female.

A1 PASTRY COOK, American, 10 years' experience, strictly temperate, 35 years of age, best of references, will go anywhere. MRS. BELLE WILLIAMS, 21 Ivy st., Boston.

A YOUNG widow desires position as housekeeper, or care of bachelor's apartments. MRS. M. MURREY, 231 Tremont st., room 4.

AMERICAN WOMAN wants position for Christian gent. of means; ref. exchanged; call for housekeeper, upstairs bell at 18 Royal st., Allston, Mass.

A YOUNG woman would like work in town or out of town, work by the day. Address MRS. E., 38 Erving st.

A YOUNG girl (23 years of age), with hospital training, wishes a position to care for a lady invalid. Address S 327, Boston American.

AN AMERICAN girl would like a position in a small Am. family where there are no children. Address 59 Centennial av., Revere, Mass.

AN AMERICAN GIRL would like position in small family where there are no children. Call or address N. J. P., 325 Beach st., Revere, Mass.

A RELIABLE WOMAN would like care of [illegible]. L. WEBSTER, 44 Albion st., Boston.

A PROFESSIONAL NURSE would like work, have had experience in all cases, no objection to going to some Winter resort with an invalid. N 424, Boston American.

A MIDDLE-AGED woman would like position as housekeeper for widower without small children. A. E., 19 Ball st., city.

A-1 PASTRY COOK would like position in hotel or restaurant; six years with one man. North and south. A. C. P., 319 Ball st., city.

A MIDDLE-AGED woman wants a position as housekeeper in a workingman's home. D 429, Boston American.

DRESSMAKER wishes engagements, $2 per day and car fare; good latest styles. MRS. VINSON, 64 Greenwood av., Jamaica Plain, Boston.

EXPERIENCED lunch counter waitress wants position at once; no Sunday work; reference if required. J. B. C., 333 Col. av., city.

HOUSEKEEPER'S position wanted by middle aged widow, capable, reliable male adult family in or near Boston. O. E. EMERSON, Chelsea, Mass.

HOUSEKEEPER'S POSITION wanted by widow, 27, English, with little girl 5 years; must be good home. E., 47 Norfolk st., Dorchester.

HOUSEKEEPER wants position in bachelor's or widower's home. N 452, Boston American.

LADY, 3 months' hospital training, wishes position as nurse. 14 Hamlin st., South Boston.

MULATTO GIRL wishes position in a doctor's or dentist's office. Write M. COOPER, 647 Shawmut av.

POSITION wanted as working housekeeper or housework by young German woman with little girl 11 years old; Dorchester preferred. MRS. E. W., 190 Westville st., Dor.

WOMAN, 35, would like position as housekeeper in lodging house, capable and trustworthy to take full charge; references. MRS. A. MERRILL, 1,453 Washington st., city.

WANTED—Situation as housekeeper for elderly gentleman or not more than 2 in family; country preferred. E. L. W., 88 Pemberton st., Cambridge, Mass.

WORKING HOUSEKEEPER, widow, in a widower's family, and little girl 6 yrs. old. B 361, Boston American.

WANTED—General housework by Maine Prot. girl in small family, no children; state wages. E. B. R., gen. del., Brighton, Mass.

WOULD LIKE washing and ironing to take home. Call or write, 157 Northampton st., suite 2, MRS. R. LAWSON.

WIDOW, 35, would like position as housekeeper in lodging house; capable of taking full charge; ref. MRS. A. MERRILL, 1,453 Washington st., city.

WIDOW wants position as housekeeper widower's family; excellent cook; good references. X 401, Boston American.

WOMAN would like work by hour. Write C. A., 9 Kendall st., Roxbury.

WOMAN wants work by day or to take home laundry. MRS. JORDAN, 30 Myrtle st., So. End.

CITY OF BOSTON.

NOTICE OF HEARING—City of Boston, Clerk of Committees Department, City Hall, December 18, 1906.—The special committee of the City Council on Bill-board Advertising will give a public hearing to all parties interested, in the Aldermanic Chamber, City Hall, on Friday, December 21, at 3 o'clock P. M., on the following proposed ordinances:

1. An ordinance providing that—"No person shall erect or maintain an advertising sign or structure other than that approved by the Building Commissioner as part of the building upon the roof of any building two or more stories in height, which, at its extreme height, is more than two feet above the roof of any such building."

2. An ordinance providing that—"No person shall post up, or affix to any fence, or paint, print or write, or cause to be painted, printed or written, a notice, advertisement, bill, poster, [illegible] upon any fence or other [illegible] wall [illegible] between private land and said [illegible] of the city."

By order of the Committee,
JOHN F. DEVER, Clerk of Committees.

AUTOMOBILES.

1906 Special Show Car
Will Sell at About One-Half Value
35 H. P. STUDEBAKER touring car, fully equipped, cost [illegible]; for immediate cash sale. Address H 4, Boston American.

THE BALLROOM.

PROF. SLYE, 140 Tremont st.—12 lessons (4 private, 8 class), $5. Call evenings, 6 to 9.

HEARST'S BOSTON AMERICAN

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

80 AND 82 SUMMER ST., BOSTON, DECEMBER 19, 1906

TOO MUCH Prosperity? ---Really?

How About the Women, the Children, the Men That Worry and That Need?

Mr. Shaw is Secretary of the Treasury for the United States. He is about to leave his office and make room for Mr. Cortelyou. Mr. Cortelyou is the man to whom the corporations, the banks, the big gamblers, have given their money for the Republican party's corruption fund. **HE IS TO HAVE THE CHANCE NOW TO REPAY THEM WITH THE PEOPLE'S MONEY**—*very appropriate, in a plutocratic nation and a plutocratic government.*

Mr. Shaw, before leaving the office of the nation's Treasurer, uttered to a collection of rich men what the newspapers are pleased to call "a solemn warning."

He told his hearers that our country **IS TOO PROSPEROUS**. That we are getting rich **TOO FAST**.

He was quite solemn and mournful as he briefly pointed out the great wealth of the people.

What do **THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY** think about this? When we say "the people of this country," we don't mean the men that have seats on the stock exchange. We don't mean the gamblers to whom Mr. Shaw handed recently tens of millions of the people's money that they might go on gambling with plenty of chips. We don't mean the heads of the big trusts, some of whom will take care of Mr. Shaw if he ever needs taking care of.

When we say "the people of this country," we mean **EIGHTY MILLIONS OF AMERICAN PEOPLE**. We mean those that work in the day time **AND WORRY AT NIGHT**. We mean those that see each new child arrive with affection, **BUT WITH ANXIETY FOR ITS FUTURE**.

What do **THE EIGHTY MILLIONS** think of Mr. Shaw's idea that the nation is too prosperous?

Is a nation too prosperous when millions of children are working in mines and mills and factories, **AND LOSING THEIR CHANCE IN LIFE**?

Is a nation too prosperous **WHEN HALF OF ALL THE SCHOOLBOYS ARE TAKEN FROM SCHOOL AND PUT TO WORK BEFORE THEY ARE TWELVE YEARS OLD**?

Is a nation too prosperous when out of one hundred boys sent to the public school **ONLY THREE CAN GO INTO THE HIGH SCHOOL AND FINISH**?

Is a nation too prosperous when a law must be passed to prevent young women from working all night long **AND WHEN THAT LAW IS SHAMEFULLY DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL BY JUDGES ON THE SUPREME BENCH**?

Of a hundred mothers in America ninety at least worry about their household bills. The gas bills and the meat bills cause sleepless hours. The price of milk is beyond the reach of mothers with young children. The cost of ice causes the death of thousands.

That may mean "too much prosperity" for the Ice Trust and the Milk Trust. But, Mr. Shaw, **IT DOES NOT MEAN TOO MUCH PROSPERITY FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE**.

The business man who would like to extend his business, and thus increase the national supply of wealth, and add to the demand for workers, has trouble in obtaining credit, trouble in getting on reasonable terms the money which is the life-blood of an industrial undertaking. Does that indicate "Too Much Prosperity"?

The man who would like to send his promising boy to the good schools and then to college **MUST PUT HIM TO WORK TOO YOUNG**. Does too much prosperity cause that?

Mr. Shaw, you take a wrong view of conditions in this country. You take tens of millions of money belonging to the people and you hand it over to Wall Street to enable the gamblers who cheat the people to carry on their swindling operations.

You meet the men that have the hundreds of millions and you are flattered by them. You see the gigantic speculative processes of a few that have robbed the many, and you are dazzled by their power and **BY THEIR PROSPERITY**.

But look BELOW, Mr. Shaw. See the real people. See the millions to whom you never give a thought. They are the ones **THAT PAY YOUR MODEST LITTLE SALARY**, and that put in office the man who put you in office. Ask **THEM** what they think. Ask the girl going to her work early, **A VICTIM OF THE TRUST THAT OWNS THE STREETS**, and that leaves her work late to feed that same trust with her hard-earned five cents. Is she too prosperous? Go to her wretched room, see what she eats, see what she wears, know how cold she is, know what she suffers, know **WHAT HER CHILD IN THE FUTURE MUST BE BECAUSE ITS MOTHER IS ILL-NOURISHED** now, and you won't think this country is suffering from too much prosperity.

What the United States needs **IS THE DISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH**.

All our genius has been devoted to **ACCUMULATION**. We have our Rockefellers with their thousand millions. We have our Rogerses, our Vanderbilts, our Morgans, and all our collection of gamblers and monopolists with their hundreds of millions.

We understand and have pushed to the limit the art of **GATHERING** in selfish, separate piles the wealth and prosperity of the country.

We have given no thought to the great problem of **DISTRIBUTION**.

There is a great deal of water in the ocean. **THAT DOESN'T HELP THE DESERTS**. There are hundreds of millions in a few pockets. **THAT DOESN'T HELP THE POOR**.

The problem of the country is **DISTRIBUTION**. Every American should keep that in mind. While you criticise the wrong that is done by the labor union sometimes, while you criticise its occasional excesses, you should always remember that the labor union is valuable **BECAUSE IT IS THE CHIEF DISTRIBUTING FORCE IN THE COUNTRY**.

What would be the condition of this land if it did not have a few millions of men able to stand up, to demand, **AND TO GET** their four or five dollars a day each, *and thus to distribute through the country at least a small part of the wealth that the selfish, intelligent, near-sighted few are accumulating for themselves?*

We do not need Secretaries of the Treasury to prate about prosperity.

What we need is a man at the head of the nation, and men under him, with their minds **ON THE EIGHTY MILLIONS**.

We need men who will represent those who choose them, instead of representing the plutocrats that buy our influence or flatter the chosen men in office.

We want men who realize that the wealth of this country is unlimited **IN ITS POSSIBILITIES**, and who will realize that that wealth goes to waste, as long as it is left undeveloped, and as long as it goes **INTO ENORMOUS, SELFISH PILES FOR A FEW**. The development of the wealth of this nation **AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE WEALTH OF THE NATION**—that is the problem of to-day.

MONOPOLY LODGE YULETIDE ENTERTAINMENTS

The Next Number Is a Realistic Tableau Entitled: "The Night Before Christmas; or, Santa Claus Up to Date"

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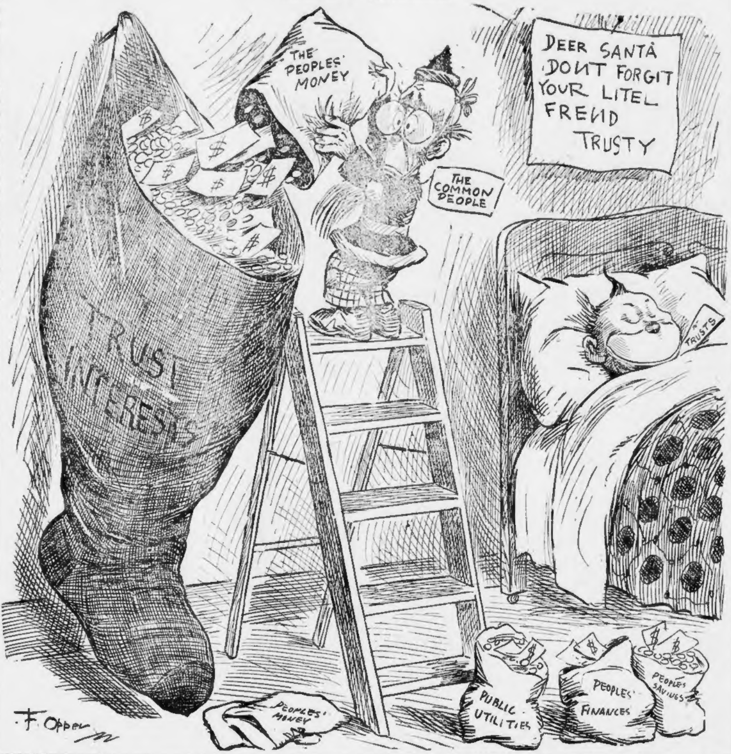
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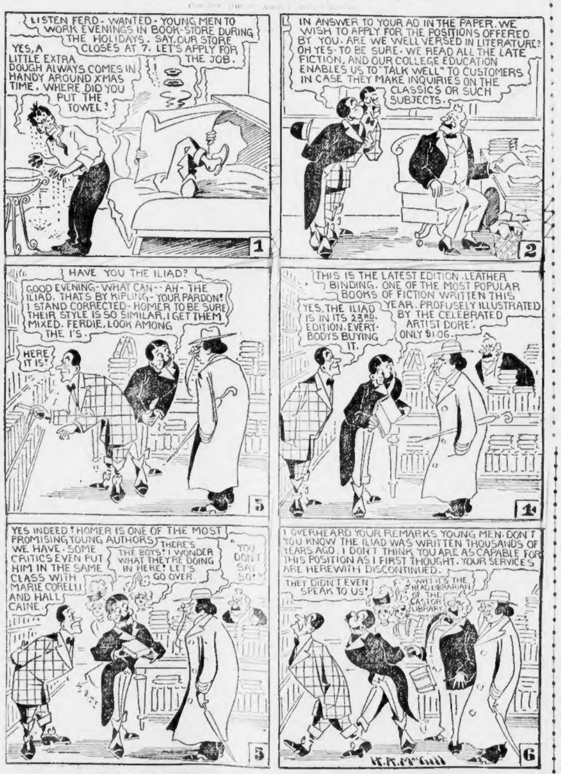
LISTEN FERD - WANTED - YOUNG MEN TO WORK EVENINGS IN BOOK-STORE DURING THE HOLIDAYS. SAY, OUR STORE CLOSES AT 7. LET'S APPLY FOR THE JOB.
YES, A LITTLE EXTRA DOUGH ALWAYS COMES IN HANDY AROUND XMAS TIME. WHERE DID YOU PUT THE TOWEL?
1
IN ANSWER TO YOUR AD IN THE PAPER, WE WISH TO APPLY FOR THE POSITIONS OFFERED BY YOU. ARE WE WELL VERSED IN LITERATURE? OH YES - TO BE SURE - WE READ ALL THE LATE FICTION, AND OUR COLLEGE EDUCATION ENABLES US TO "TALK WELL" TO CUSTOMERS IN CASE THEY MAKE INQUIRIES ON THE CLASSICS OR SUCH SUBJECTS.
2
HAVE YOU THE ILIAD?
GOOD EVENING - WHAT CAN - - AH - THE ILIAD. THATS BY KIPLING - YOUR PARDON! I STAND CORRECTED - HOMER TO BE SURE THEIR STYLE IS SO SIMILAR, I GET THEM MIXED. FERDIE, LOOK AMONG THE I'S.
HERE IT IS!
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THIS IS THE LATEST EDITION. LEATHER BINDING. ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR BOOKS OF FICTION WRITTEN THIS YEAR. PROFUSELY ILLUSTRATED BY THE CELEBRATED ARTIST DORE'. ONLY $1.06.
YES, THE ILIAD IS IN ITS 23RD. EDITION. EVERYBODYS BUYING IT.
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YES INDEED! HOMER IS ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING YOUNG AUTHORS WE HAVE. SOME CRITICS EVEN PUT HIM IN THE SAME CLASS WITH MARIE CORELLI AND HALL CAINE.
THERE'S THE BOYS! I WONDER WHAT THEY'RE DOING IN HERE! LET'S GO OVER.
"YOU DON'T SAY SO!"
5
I OVERHEARD YOUR REMARKS YOUNG MEN. DON'T YOU KNOW THE ILIAD WAS WRITTEN THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO. I DON'T THINK YOU ARE AS CAPABLE FOR THIS POSITION AS I FIRST THOUGHT. YOUR SERVICES ARE HEREWITH DISCONTINUED.
THEY DIDN'T EVEN SPEAK TO US!
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Do Your Xmas Shopping Early

By William F. Kirk

HOW do the shoppers swoop down on the store?
Dear lady shoppers,
Watched by fly coppers—
How do the shoppers swoop down on the store?

WORMING and squirming,
And wriggling and giggling,
And staring and glaring,
And sampling and trampling,
And mussing and fussing
(While male clerks are cussing),
And tearing their wearing
Apparel, not caring,
So long as their crushing,
And pushing and rushing,
And fretting and sweating,
Result in their getting
TEN CENTS' WORTH OF RUCHING

CHATTERING, scattering,
Down the main aisle
With a vigorous battering,
Jamming and slamming,
Tramming and cramming,
And squeezing and wheezing,
And stumbling and tumbling,
And mumbling and grumbling,
Until with a dashing,
And crashing and smashing
They find that their start meant
The grocery department,
Where each buys her husband
TEN CENTS' WORTH OF LEMONS.

THAT'S how the shoppers swoop down on the store—
Dear lady shoppers,
Watched by fly coppers—
That's how the shoppers swoop down on the store.

Dictionary of Misinformation

By Wex Jones

BANANA—The vegetable frankfurter.

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CLUB—A place where men go to wish they were somewhere else.

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CONGO—A river of tears.

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MESSAGE—The relaxation of a President.

MONDAY—*Message* on the Gowanus Canal.

TUESDAY—*Message* on the need of sea cooks for the navy.

WEDNESDAY—*Message* on the revised pronunciation of English.

THURSDAY—*Messages* on the Army, the Currency, the Solar System and the Peanut Crop.

FRIDAY—*Message* on things in general. —*Congressional Diary.*

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ORANGE—An alleged fruit concealed within the skin that won't come off.

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SANTA CLAUS—An imaginary personage more real than most persons.

Santa Claus, Santa Claus,
What do you bring?
A doll and a thimble,
A brooch and a ring.
—*Nursery Songs.*

THE STENOGRAPHER

She Says Women Regard Surgical Operations in the Light of Conversational Ammunition

By Dorothy Dix

"I SEE," said the Bookkeeper, "that a woman in Chicago, who is suing her husband for divorce, alleges as part of the inhuman treatment to which he subjected her that he hypnotized her so that she forgot all about a surgical operation that she had undergone."

"The brute!" exclaimed the Stenographer. "No wonder she finds it impossible to forgive him. I never heard of anything so cruel and malignant in my life."

"Why, I should think that one would be glad to have anything so unpleasant as the memory of being carved up blotted out. Forget it, would be my motto if I had ever been in the hands of the butchers," remarked the Bookkeeper.

"You are not a woman," retorted the Stenographer, "and consequently don't know how to enjoy your afflictions.

"I am always sorry for a man when I hear that it's the operating table for his, for he gets nothing out of it but suffering and bills and a possible cure, but I offer my felicitations and congratulations to the lady on the way to the hospital, for I know she is going to have the time of her life.

Incurable Cases

"I ALSO prepare to drop her from my visiting list, for the way it swells a woman up with vanity and self-importance and egotism to have a few tucks taken in her anatomy, or some of her vital organs cut out on the bl[illegible] is past endurance.

"The three champion feminine bores of the world are brides, mothers with first babies and women who have had a surgical operation performed upon them—and the only incurable cases are the latter."

"Funny," observed the Bookkeeper.

"Maddening, I call it," said the Stenographer, "but it's a fact that if a woman has ever once been in a hospital her conversation reeks with iodoform to the longest day she lives. She never gets through backing you up into a corner and telling you all the gory details, and she brags and brags about it until you almost wish she had died under the influence of the ether."

"Surgical operations are getting to be frightfully common nowadays," said the Bookkeeper.

"Oh, they are, they are," moaned the Stenographer. "They have gotten to be a conversational necessity, and the very least that you can get into society on is a case of appendicitis, and even then you have to take a back seat when the real hospital swells begin matching symptoms.

Antiseptic Talks

"IF you have been unfortunate enough to be healthy and not to have been trimmed up any, you are a rank outsider, who is expected to sit still and listen. You are at the clinic, but you are not Exhibit A.

"And it's a trying position, and that's what made it impossible for the Chicago woman to forgive her husband for hypnotizing her so that she forgot all about the surgical operation that she had undergone.

"There she was, fixed up for life with a line of talk, she thought. No more casting around in her mind for something to say to a casual acquaintance, or seeking for an interesting subject on which to discourse to a room full of ladies.

"All she had to do was to give them a full, minute and vivid description of the time she was operated on, with reminiscences of the trained nurses and comments from the doctors thrown in as a garnish, and just as she is prepared at such suffering and expense to regale everybody who meets her with antiseptic conversation, here comes along this unfeeling wretch of a husband and hypnotizes her so that she can't recall a single detail, nor even the fact that she has lost her appendix.

"No wonder she asked for a divorce. If I was the judge I'd give her three on those grounds."

"If you look at it like that," said the Bookkeeper.

"Women never look at an operation any other way except as a topic of conversation," replied the Stenographer.

Bobbie's Essays

PAINTERS.

PAINTERS is men wich talks different colors & puts them on paper, canvas, barns, fences, etc.

the men wich puts the colors on fences & barns doant git so much munny as the men wich puts the paint on paper or canvas. when a man puts colors on a barn the owner says That is a good job, & hands him 4$. when a man puts paint on a canvas sum rich old man from Chicago hands him 10,000$ & says that is jest what i want. It is also jest what the painter wants, so everybody is satisfied.

I saw sum fine paintings once when i was in a Art gallery with Ma, they was all very costly, one of them was called Nite on the Lake, it was a picter of sum water & all the rest was dark. I went hoam & took my paints & painted a better lake, it looked more like water than the other picter beekaus my paints was water colors, but when i tried to sell it all i got was 10 cents, my Pa paid me that much for it, but he owed me 10 cents for sawing wood anyway.

i guess i will be a poet instead of a painter, beekaus ink is easier to git off of yure hands than paint after the job is done. i will cloas with a littel poem i wrote to-day:

B kind to yure father, not many may know
How much yure deer father luvs you.
He may not be with us for many more yeers
& Xmas is neerly hear, too.